

TREE ONIONS



- Tree onions go by numerous names, such as walking onions, flying onions or Egyptian onions. The variety we grow are called Catawissa onions, as they originated back in the 1850's in Catawissa, USA.
- The onions are a variety of 'multiplier' onions, similar to shallots, in that each bulb when planted, will divide into several more bulbs. The similarity to shallots ends there though. The 'tree' aspect comes from the onion developing miniature onions on the top of the stalk, and when the onions are fully ripe, the main stalk falls over, and hence the onions 'walk' a short distance from the original onion.
- All parts of the onion are edible, and you can either eat the onions that develop, or you can replant them to increase your stock.
- They are a winter-hardy perennial vegetable, and generally don't need much looking after, so can form a good size clump with little effort on your part, allowing you to harvest them like you would spring onions.
- They like a moist, free-draining soil.