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# Flamingo Park Pink Coral Plant

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### Flamingo Park Pink Coral Plant Russelia equisetiformis 'Flamingo Park'

Height: 5 feet
Spread: 5 feet
Spacing: 4 feet
Sunlight: 0

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Firecracker Plant, Coral Fountain,

Coralblow



This sub-shrub is a weeping variety with very fine, grassy foliage, producing tall spikes of striking flamingo pink tubular flowers; prefers full sun and is drought tolerant once established; great for containers, and baskets; overwinter indoors



Flamingo Park Pink Coral Plant flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Flamingo Park Pink Coral Plant features dainty spikes of salmon tubular flowers rising above the foliage from mid spring to late summer. Its attractive grassy leaves remain light green in colour throughout the year.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Flamingo Park Pink Coral Plant is a multi-stemmed annual with a shapely form and gracefully arching foliage. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Flamingo Park Pink Coral Plant is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

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### **Planting & Growing**

Flamingo Park Pink Coral Plant will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 4 feet apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Flamingo Park Pink Coral Plant is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. Because of its height, it is often used as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.