## **Lakeshore Garden Centres**

## Cara Mia Rose Coneflower

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# Cara Mia™ Rose Coneflower Echinacea 'TNECHCMR'

Height: 20 inches Spread: 30 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Group/Class: Cara Mia Series

### **Description:**

This stunning echinacea produces attractive raspberry pink, fully double flowers; a perfect choice for planting in groups, along border edges, or in containers; flowers come early and keep coming until frost; attracts pollinators

#### **Ornamental Features**

Cara Mia Rose Coneflower has masses of beautiful lightly-scented scarlet daisy flowers with hot pink overtones at the ends of the stems from mid spring to mid fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its pointy leaves remain green in colour throughout the season.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Cara Mia Rose Coneflower is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting birds and butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Cara Mia Rose Coneflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



Cara Mia Rose Coneflower flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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### **Planting & Growing**

Cara Mia Rose Coneflower will grow to be about 16 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. 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 particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Cara Mia Rose Coneflower is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use 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. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.

This plant is not reliably hardy in our region, and certain restrictions may apply; contact the store for more information.