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# **Dwarf October Daphne**

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# Dwarf October Daphne Sedum sieboldii 'Nana'

Plant Height: 5 inches
Flower Height: 7 inches

Spread: 10 inches
Spacing: 8 inches
Sunlight: 

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Other Names: S. sieboldii Nanum

### **Description:**

A compact version of this popular groundcover, identical to the species in every way except for the smaller size; dusty gray-blue succulent foliage is edged in pink, rich pink flowers in late summer

#### **Ornamental Features**

Dwarf October Daphne is covered in stunning hot pink star-shaped flowers at the ends of the stems from late summer to late fall. Its attractive small succulent round leaves are silvery blue in colour with distinctive rose edges. As an added bonus, the foliage turns a gorgeous rose in the fall. The brick red stems are very colorful and add to the overall interest of the plant.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Dwarf October Daphne is a dense herbaceous evergreen perennial with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.



Dwarf October Daphne foliage Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Dwarf October Daphne is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

## **Planting & Growing**

Dwarf October Daphne will grow to be only 5 inches tall at maturity extending to 7 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 10 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 8 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. 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 pH, but grows best in poor soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. 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. 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.

Dwarf October Daphne is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage against which the thriller plants stand out. 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.