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# **ColorWorks Ruby Star Petunia**

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### ColorWorks™ Ruby Star Petunia Petunia 'ColorWorks Ruby Star'

Height: 14 inches Spread: 20 inches Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: 

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Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: ColorWorks Series

#### **Description:**

This bold and vibrant variety features ruby red flowers striped with white forming a star pattern; mounded habit with trailing tendencies, perfect for hanging baskets and patio containers; early flowering; deadhead to encourage new blooms

#### **Ornamental Features**

ColorWorks Ruby Star Petunia is covered in stunning ruby-red trumpet-shaped flowers with white stripes at the ends of the stems from mid spring to late summer. Its pointy leaves remain green in colour throughout the season.

### **Landscape Attributes**

ColorWorks Ruby Star Petunia is a dense herbaceous annual with a trailing habit of growth, eventually spilling over the edges of hanging baskets and containers. 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 plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. It is a good choice for attracting hummingbirds 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.



ColorWorks Ruby Star Petunia flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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ColorWorks Ruby Star Petunia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

#### **Planting & Growing**

ColorWorks Ruby Star Petunia will grow to be about 14 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant should be grown in a location with partial shade or which is shaded from the hot afternoon sun. 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 particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

ColorWorks Ruby Star Petunia 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 trailing habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.