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# Jelly Bean Dark Pink Monkeyflower

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# Jelly Bean Dark Pink Monkeyflower Mimulus 'Jelly Bean Dark Pink'

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: 

Hardiness Zone: 9a

## **Description:**

A very showy, moderately vigorous shrub featuring large, rose-pink flowers with orange throats, appearing nearly year-round in coastal gardens, over lustrous dark green foliage; excellent for partly shaded rock gardens, or dry borders once established

#### **Ornamental Features**

Jelly Bean Dark Pink Monkeyflower features showy clusters of lightly-scented rose trumpet-shaped flowers with pink overtones, orange throats and white edges along the branches from late winter to late fall. It has dark green evergreen foliage which emerges chartreuse in spring. The glossy narrow leaves remain dark green throughout the winter.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Jelly Bean Dark Pink Monkeyflower is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies and 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.



Jelly Bean Dark Pink Monkeyflower flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Jelly Bean Dark Pink Monkeyflower in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Jelly Bean Dark Pink Monkeyflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting

## **Planting & Growing**

Jelly Bean Dark Pink Monkeyflower will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years. As this plant tends to go dormant in summer, it is best interplanted with late-season bloomers to hide the dying foliage.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. You may want to keep it away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. This plant will benefit from an application of bonemeal and/or mycorrhizal fertilizer at the time of planting. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Jelly Bean Dark Pink Monkeyflower makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also 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.