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## **Ruby Tuesday Coral Bells**



Ruby Tuesday Coral Bells Heuchera 'Ruby Tuesday'

Plant Height: 9 inches

Flower Height: 16 inches

Spread: 14 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 3b

Other Names: Coralbells, Alumroot

#### **Description:**

White bells rise in late spring from mounds of heavily ruffled, ruby red foliage with a silver sheen; foliage matures to rich burgundy in late summer; amazing contrast to other plants; great versatility; keep soil moist in heat of summer

#### **Ornamental Features**

Ruby Tuesday Coral Bells features dainty spikes of white bell-shaped flowers rising above the foliage from mid to late spring. Its attractive crinkled lobed leaves remain ruby-red in color with showy burgundy variegation and tinges of silver throughout the year.

#### Landscape Attributes

Ruby Tuesday Coral Bells is a dense herbaceous evergreen perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. 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 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.

Ruby Tuesday Coral Bells is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Ruby Tuesday Coral Bells Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Ruby Tuesday Coral Bells flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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

### **Planting & Growing**

Ruby Tuesday Coral Bells will grow to be about 9 inches tall at maturity extending to 16 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 14 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 low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a medium 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.



Ruby Tuesday Coral Bells foliage Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

This plant performs well in both full sun and full shade. However, 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 prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider covering it with a thick layer of mulch in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. 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.

Ruby Tuesday Coral Bells 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 larger 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.