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Little Miss Tara Alstroemeria



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Alstroemeria 'Tara'

Plant Height: 6 inches

Flower Height: 10 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 10 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Peruvian Lily

Group/Class: Little Miss Series



Little Miss Tara Alstroemeria flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Description:

This floriferous dwarf variety presents stunning coral pink blooms with yellow blotches, and dramatic burgundy lines; mounded, crisp green foliage provides contrast; flowers last very well as cut flowers

Ornamental Features

Little Miss Tara Alstroemeria features showy bracted coral-pink trumpet-shaped flowers with yellow throats and burgundy stripes at the ends of the stems from late spring to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its pointy leaves remain dark green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Little Miss Tara Alstroemeria is an herbaceous annual with a mounded form. 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 usually looks its best without pruning, although it will tolerate pruning. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Little Miss Tara Alstroemeria is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

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Planting & Growing

Little Miss Tara Alstroemeria will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 10 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 10 inches apart. Although it's not a true annual, this plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. 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 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.

Little Miss Tara Alstroemeria 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 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.