Stonegate Gardens

BK Collection Esmay Peach Begonia

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BK Collection Esmay Peach Begonia Begonia 'Esmay Peach'

Height: 12 inches Spread: 12 inches Spacing: 12 inches

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

This selection is noted for its compact, mounded habit and continuous blooming throughout the season; semi to double peach flowers show off for maximum visual impact; a superb addition to hanging baskets, containers, or landscape

Ornamental Features

BK Collection Esmay Peach Begonia is blanketed in stunning peach orchid-like flowers at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall. Its small glossy pointy leaves remain dark green in color with distinctive red edges throughout the season. The dark red stems can be quite attractive.



BK Collection Esmay Peach Begonia flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Landscape Attributes

BK Collection Esmay Peach Begonia 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. 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.

BK Collection Esmay Peach Begonia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

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Planting & Growing

BK Collection Esmay Peach Begonia will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 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 annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant does best in partial shade to shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone over the growing season to conserve soil moisture. 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.

BK Collection Esmay Peach Begonia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. 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.