Golden Acre Home & Garden

Flirt Bergenia

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Flirt Bergenia Bergenia 'Flirt'

Plant Height: 6 inches
Flower Height: 10 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Sunlight: O D

Hardiness Zone: 2a

Other Names: Giant Rockfoil, Largeleaf Saxifrage,

Pigsqueak

Description:

A very floriferous, compact selection with small glossy green leaves that turn burgundy-purple in fall and winter; clusters of showy, deep pink blooms open on short thick stems in mid-spring; perfect for edging, or border fronts

Ornamental Features

Flirt Bergenia features unusual spikes of hot pink flowers with rose overtones rising above the foliage from early to late spring. Its attractive small succulent oval leaves are forest green in colour. As an added bonus, the foliage turns gorgeous shades of coppery-bronze, burgundy and deep purple in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Flirt Bergenia is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other garden plants with finer foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. 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.



Flirt Bergenia foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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Flirt Bergenia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover

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Planting & Growing

Flirt Bergenia will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 10 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 12 inches. 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.

This plant performs well in both full sun and full shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. 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 division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.