## **Golden Acre Home & Garden**

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## **Wargrave Pink Cranesbill**



# Wargrave Pink Cranesbill Geranium x oxonianum 'Wargrave Pink'

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Pink Cranesbill, Geranium endressii

#### **Description:**

Hardy and vigorous, this selection features dense, low mounds of deeply lobed green leaves with small, pretty clear pink flowers; blooms from late spring to early fall; excellent addition to beds, borders containers or used as groundcover



Wargrave Pink Cranesbill in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Wargrave Pink Cranesbill has masses of beautiful pink flowers at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. Its deeply cut lobed palmate leaves are green in colour. As an added bonus, the foliage turns a gorgeous antique red in the fall.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Wargrave Pink Cranesbill is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies 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.

Wargrave Pink Cranesbill is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

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#### **Planting & Growing**

Wargrave Pink Cranesbill will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 15 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 years. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. 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.

Wargrave Pink Cranesbill 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. 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.