



**Fairbanks™ Purple Spoons  
Chrysanthemum**

*Chrysanthemum 'Fairbanks Purple  
Spoons'*

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Garden Mum, Korean Mum,  
Dendranthemum

Group/Class: Fairbanks Series

**Description:**

Showy flowers with light pink, spoon shaped petals with bright purple tips stand out against upright mounded, green fragrant foliage; a perfect way to brighten up fall containers, garden beds or borders; a stunning addition to fresh-cut bouquets

**Ornamental Features**

Fairbanks Purple Spoons Chrysanthemum is smothered in stunning shell pink daisy flowers with yellow eyes and purple tips at the ends of the stems from late spring to late fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its fragrant ferny leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

**Landscape Attributes**

Fairbanks Purple Spoons Chrysanthemum is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined 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.

Fairbanks Purple Spoons Chrysanthemum is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



*Fairbanks Purple Spoons Chrysanthemum flowers  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

### Planting & Growing

Fairbanks Purple Spoons Chrysanthemum will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

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 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.

Fairbanks Purple Spoons Chrysanthemum is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.