# **Plant Finder**





FrostKiss™ Cheryl's Shine® Hellebore Helleborus 'EPB 31'

Plant Height: 18 inches

Flower Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 20 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Lenten Rose, Winter Rose

Group/Class: FrostKiss Series

#### **Description:**

This showy selection produces bushy mounds of marbled evergreen leaves; flower stalks, held above the foliage bear striking, cup shaped pink to peach blooms; this variety will do well in full sun, in mild summer areas if roots are kept cool

## **Ornamental Features**

FrostKiss Cheryl's Shine Hellebore features showy nodding pink cup-shaped flowers with peach overtones and chartreuse eyes at the ends of the stems from late winter to early spring. Its attractive serrated oval compound leaves remain dark green in color with distinctive light green veins throughout the year.

## Landscape Attributes

FrostKiss Cheryl's Shine Hellebore is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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 should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. 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.



FrostKiss Cheryl's Shine Hellebore flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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FrostKiss Cheryl's Shine Hellebore is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens

#### **Planting & Growing**

FrostKiss Cheryl's Shine Hellebore will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity extending to 24 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 20 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 performs well in both full sun and full shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. 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. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid, and parts of it are known to be toxic to humans and animals, so care should be exercised in planting it around children and pets. 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.