







HEUCHERA americana 'Palace Purple Select'

American Alum Root, Coral Bells

Item No.: HG186

Also available as: Normal Seed

Plant Description

Article Type	GOLD NUGGET SEED ®
Life Cycle	Perennial
Family	Saxifragaceae
Origin	North America
Distinction	Award of Garden Merit (A.G.M.) from the Royal Horticultural Society. Selected as Perennial Plant of the year from the PPA (Perennial Plant Association).
Special Features	Consistent dark-leaved foliage. A truly reliable seed strain. Outstanding foliage plant, suitable also for floral arrangements. Perennial Plant of the Year 1991 in North America. Cool, evenly moist soils preferred though any well-drained soil will suffice.
Historical	The result of breeding work undertaken by JELITTO PERENNIAL SEED to improve the already popular 'Palace Purple', which had become plagued with very inconsistent seed strains. Introduced by JELITTO PERENNIAL SEEDS in 1996.
Basic Colour	(white / cream)
Flower Colour	Cream-colored
Natural Flowering Period	June - August
Flowering	First year flowering
Winter Hardiness Zones	Z3 - Z9
Foliage	nearly round, to ovate, with scalloped edges, metallic bronze-purple
Growth Habit	clumping
Height with Flowers	60 cm
Spacing between Plants	40 cm
Soil Requirements	average
Location	   
Characteristics	ornamental foliage plant



Usage for the rock garden

Cultivation

Grams per 1000 seeds 0.0428 Gram
Seeds per Gram 23364 (does not correspond to the number of plants!)
Sowing Rates/Trays 3 - 4 per cell
Plug tray recommended size(s) 128 / 288
Sowing Direction (15) Rapidly germinating, keep seed in constant moisture (not wet) with temperatures of about +20°C [68°F]. Seeds must be covered thinly. Do not cover very small seeds, but tightly press into the earth. Keep in cooler conditions after germination occurs.

Scheduling

Best Sowing Date Anytime (northern Hemisphere, Field condition)
Sowing to Germination 3 - 4 weeks
Germination to Transplant 6 - 8 weeks
Transplanting to Potting 6 - 8 weeks
Cutting back at Transplanting Not Necessary.

Growing On

Container Size(s) 1-2 plugs per 11/12 cm (4 1/2")
Vernalization No vernalization required for flowering in the first year.
Forcing This species is not a suitable candidate for forcing.
Fertilizer Medium (150-200 ppm)