



## **Matrona Stonecrop** *Sedum 'Matrona'*

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 3

Other Names: Autumn Stonecrop, Showy Stonecrop

### **Ornamental Features**

Matrona Stonecrop has masses of beautiful clusters of shell pink flowers at the ends of the stems from late summer to late fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive large succulent round leaves remain dark green in color with distinctive purple veins throughout the season. The dark red stems are very colorful and add to the overall interest of the plant.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Matrona Stonecrop is a dense herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading 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. It is a good choice for attracting bees and 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.

Matrona Stonecrop is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use



*Matrona Stonecrop flowers*  
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*Matrona Stonecrop in fall*  
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## Planting & Growing

Matrona Stonecrop will grow to be about 20 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches apart. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 15 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 is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in poor soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. 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.



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