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Dragonfly™ Sakura Bergenia

Bergenia 'Sakura'



Dragonfly Sakura Bergenia flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Plant Height: 10 inches

Flower Height: 15 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Giant Rockfoil, Largeleaf Saxifrage, Pigsqueak

Group/Class: Dragonfly Series

Description:

Large glossy, leathery, cabbage-like leaves turn burgundy-black late in the season; interesting clusters of pink semi-double flowers rise above the foliage on red stems; great for shady areas; water regularly but don't overwater



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Ornamental Features

Dragonfly Sakura Bergenia has masses of beautiful spikes of semi-double pink bell-shaped flowers rising above the foliage from early to mid spring, which emerge from distinctive rose flower buds, and which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive large succulent round leaves are dark green in color with curious red undersides. As an added bonus, the foliage turns gorgeous shades of burgundy and in the fall. The dark red stems can be quite attractive.

Landscape Attributes

Dragonfly Sakura Bergenia is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its wonderfully bold, coarse texture can be very effective in a balanced garden composition.

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.

Dragonfly Sakura Bergenia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Dragonfly Sakura Bergenia will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity extending to 15 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 12 inches. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 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 is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, 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.

