Rockin'® Golden Delicious

Salvia 'Rockin' Golden Delicious'



Rockin' Golden Delicious foliage
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Height: 3 feet

Spread: 30 inches

Spacing: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 7

Other Names: Perennial Salvia, Meadow Clary, Meadow Sage

Group/Class: Rockin' Series

Description:

Grown primarily for its foliage, this variety produces pineapple scented, bright coloured leaves; may produce bright red flowers during the fall in southern climates; heat and drought tolerant; perfect for containers or gardens



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Ornamental Features

Rockin' Golden Delicious's attractive fragrant pointy leaves remain light green in color with hints of chartreuse throughout the season on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth. It features unusual racemes of red flowers rising above the foliage in late fall.

Landscape Attributes

Rockin' Golden Delicious 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 should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. 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.

Rockin' Golden Delicious is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Rockin' Golden Delicious will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 24 inches apart. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 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 prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. 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.

Rockin' Golden Delicious 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.