Jazz Time Rock Purslane

Cistanthe grandiflora 'Jazz Time'



Jazz Time Rock Purslane flowers
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Plant Height: 12 inches

Flower Height: 30 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 8

Other Names: form. Calandrinia grandiflora

Description:

Stunning purple-pink blooms rise out of blue-green rosettes of succulent foliage in spring to fall; impressive when massed along borders; very drought tolerant, great for dry, sunny areas

Ornamental Features

Jazz Time Rock Purslane features showy hot pink cup-shaped flowers with purple overtones and buttery yellow eyes at the ends of the stems from mid spring to early fall. Its succulent oval leaves remain bluish-green in color with hints of gray throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Jazz Time Rock Purslane is an herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. 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. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Jazz Time Rock Purslane is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Jazz Time Rock Purslane in bloom
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- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets



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Planting & Growing

Jazz Time Rock Purslane will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity extending to 30 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 3 feet. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 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 dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Jazz Time Rock Purslane is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. 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. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.