Orange Glow Orange Ice Plant

Lampranthus aurantiacus 'Orange Glow'



Orange Glow Orange Ice Plant flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Plant Height: 4 inches

Flower Height: 6 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Spacing: 30 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 9

Other Names: Orange Pig Face

Description:

A carpet forming variety with succulent, gray-green tubular leaves; a stunning explosion of orange daisy flowers in late winter and early spring; great as a dry area groundcover, or rock garden feature



Orange Glow Orange Ice Plant in bloom
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Ornamental Features

Orange Glow Orange Ice Plant features showy orange daisy flowers with yellow eyes at the ends of the stems from mid winter to mid spring. Its attractive succulent narrow leaves remain grayish green in color with prominent red tips and tinges of powder blue throughout the year.

Landscape Attributes

Orange Glow Orange Ice Plant is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with a trailing habit of growth, eventually spilling over the edges of hanging baskets and containers. 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 is a good choice for attracting bees to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Orange Glow Orange Ice Plant is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Orange Glow Orange Ice Plant will grow to be only 4 inches tall at maturity extending to 6 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 3 feet. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 30 inches apart. 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 should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any 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 should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. 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.

Orange Glow Orange Ice Plant is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its trailing habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.