

Ice Plant

Lampranthus piquetbergensis



Ice Plant foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Plant Height: 5 inches

Flower Height: 8 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 30 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: syn. Oscularia piquetbergensis

Description:

A low growing variety with succulent, gray-green leaves with club shaped tips; stunning, shiny lavender-pink flowers really light up a room; a great windowsill accent plant; requires high light

Features & Attributes

Ice Plant features showy lavender daisy flowers with pink overtones and gold eyes at the ends of the stems from early spring to late fall. Its attractive succulent oval leaves remain grayish green in color throughout the year. The brick red stems are very effective and add to the plant's interest.

This is an herbaceous evergreen houseplant 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 indoor plants with less refined foliage. This plant should not require much pruning, except when necessary to keep it looking its best.

Planting & Growing

When grown indoors, Ice Plant can be expected to grow to be only 5 inches tall at maturity extending to 8 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 24 inches. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. This houseplant will do well in a location that gets either direct or indirect sunlight, although it will usually require a more brightly-lit environment than what artificial indoor lighting alone can provide. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist soil, but will not tolerate any standing water. The surface of the soil shouldn't be allowed to dry out completely, and so you should expect to water this plant once and possibly even twice each week. Be aware that your particular watering schedule may vary depending on its location in the room, the pot size, plant size and other conditions; if in doubt, ask one of our experts in the store for advice. It will benefit from a regular feeding with a general-purpose fertilizer with every second or third watering. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soil. Contact the store for specific recommendations on pre-mixed potting soil for this plant.

There are many factors that will affect the ultimate height, spread and overall performance of a plant when grown indoors; among them, the size of the pot it's growing in, the amount of light it receives, watering frequency, the pruning regimen and repotting schedule. Use the information described here as a guideline only; individual performance can and will vary. Please contact the store to speak with one of our experts if you are interested in further details concerning recommendations on pot size, watering, pruning, repotting, etc.

-- THIS IS A HOUSEPLANT AND IS NOT MEANT TO SURVIVE THE WINTER OUTDOORS IN OUR CLIMATE --