Waterfall® Angel Soft Orange Begonia

Begonia boliviensis 'Angel Soft Orange'

Height: 14 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 14 inches

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 7

Group/Class: Waterfall Series

Description:

This variety features pointed sea-green leaves with red edges, complimenting a cascading display of soft, salmon-orange flowers; continuously blooming with no deadheading needed; great for containers and baskets

Ornamental Features

Waterfall Angel Soft Orange Begonia features dainty nodding orange bell-shaped flowers with salmon overtones at the ends of the stems from mid spring to mid fall. Its attractive serrated narrow leaves remain green in color with distinctive red edges throughout the year. The brick red stems can be quite attractive.

Landscape Attributes

Waterfall Angel Soft Orange Begonia is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with a trailing habit of growth, eventually spilling over the edges of hanging baskets and containers. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a high maintenance plant that will require regular care and upkeep, and usually looks its best without pruning, although it will tolerate pruning. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;



Waterfall Angel Soft Orange Begonia in bloom
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- Insects
- Disease

Waterfall Angel Soft Orange Begonia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets



Waterfall Angel Soft Orange Begonia flowers
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Planting & Growing

Waterfall Angel Soft Orange Begonia will grow to be about 14 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 14 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 3 years. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant does best in a location that gets morning sunlight but is shaded from the hot afternoon sun, although it will also grow in full shade. Keep it away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth, but will die in standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. 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 rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone over the growing season to conserve soil moisture. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Waterfall Angel Soft Orange Begonia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. 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.