



## **Coral Berry** *Ardisia crenata*

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ☐ ☒

Hardiness Zone: 8b

Other Names: Christmas Berry, Spice Berry, Coralberry

### **Description:**

A beautiful accent, adorned with frothy upright panicles of small pink flowers in early summer; stunning clusters of bright red berries follow, and persist into winter; needs bright sun and well-drained soil

### **Features & Attributes**

Coral Berry features dainty clusters of pink bell-shaped flowers with white edges at the ends of the branches in mid spring. Its glossy pointy leaves remain dark green in color throughout the year.

This is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen houseplant with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other indoor plants with less refined foliage. This plant may benefit from an occasional pruning to look its best.

### **Planting & Growing**

When grown indoors, Coral Berry can be expected to grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 40 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 does best in average to evenly moist soil, but will not tolerate 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 is particular about its soil conditions, with a strong preference for rich, acidic soil. Contact the store for specific recommendations on pre-mixed potting soil for this plant.



*Coral Berry fruit*  
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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 --*