



Curly Wood Sage

Teucrium scorodonia 'Crispum'

Plant Height: 12 inches

Flower Height: 16 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ☐ ☒

Hardiness Zone: 7a

Description:

A perfect groundcover for dry shade; lovely soft, light green leaves with heavily ruffled edges take on red tones in fall; cream colored flowers in summer are subtle but still interesting; a beautiful, textural groundcover that is low maintenance

Ornamental Features

Curly Wood Sage's attractive crinkled heart-shaped leaves remain green in color throughout the year on a plant with a mounded habit of growth. It features subtle spikes of creamy white flowers rising above the foliage in mid summer.

Landscape Attributes

Curly Wood Sage is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Curly Wood Sage is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Herb Gardens



Curly Wood Sage foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Planting & Growing

Curly Wood Sage will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity extending to 16 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 24 inches. 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 10 years. As an evergreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. 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.