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Southern Stars Waxflower

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Chamelaucium x verticordia 'Southern Stars'

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 9b

Group/Class: Star Series



Southern Stars Waxflower flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Southern Stars Waxflower in bloom
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Description:

An outstanding flowering shrub with fine needle-like foliage and an open habit; clusters of luminous pinkish-white blooms with fuchsia centers in winter and spring are great for cutting; a perfect accent plant for gardens, borders, or containers

Ornamental Features

Southern Stars Waxflower features showy clusters of white cup-shaped flowers with shell pink overtones and fuchsia centers at the ends of the branches from mid winter to mid spring. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has attractive green evergreen foliage. The needles are highly ornamental and remain green throughout the winter. The coppery-bronze branches are extremely showy and add significant winter interest.

Landscape Attributes

Southern Stars Waxflower is an open multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which can make it a great accent feature on this basis alone.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Southern Stars Waxflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

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Planting & Growing

Southern Stars Waxflower will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It has a low canopy, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This shrub 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. To help this plant achive its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. 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.

Southern Stars Waxflower makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.

This plant is not reliably hardy in our region, and certain restrictions may apply; contact the store for more information.