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### **Dolce® Spearmint Coral Bells**

*Heuchera 'Spearmint'*

Plant Height: 10 inches

Flower Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight: ● ●

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Coralbells, Alumroot

Group/Class: Dolce Series

#### **Description:**

Compact mounds of gray-green foliage with green veins and silver overlay; amazing contrast to other plants; showy spikes of deep pink blooms in summer; great versatility; keep soil moist in heat of summer

#### **Ornamental Features**

Dolce Spearmint Coral Bells features showy spikes of pink bell-shaped flowers rising above the foliage from early to mid summer. Its attractive crinkled lobed leaves emerge light green in spring, turning grayish green in color with distinctive dark green veins and tinges of silver the rest of the year.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Dolce Spearmint Coral Bells is a dense herbaceous evergreen perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Dolce Spearmint Coral Bells is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Dolce Spearmint Coral Bells flowers*  
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*Dolce Spearmint Coral Bells foliage*  
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- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

### Planting & Growing

Dolce Spearmint Coral Bells will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity extending to 24 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. 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 partial shade to shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider covering it with a thick layer of mulch in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. 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.

Dolce Spearmint Coral Bells is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting 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. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.