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Solar Flare Bergenia

Bergenia 'Solar Flare'

Plant Height: 10 inches

Flower Height: 15 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 3

Other Names: Giant Rockfoil, Largeleaf Saxifrage, Pigsqueak

Description:

Glossy, succulent leaves are green with yellow variegation, matures to bronzy-green color; variegation is most pronounced in winter; this garden accent is popular for its foliage as well as it's unusual spike flowers



Solar Flare Bergenia
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Solar Flare Bergenia features unusual spikes of fuchsia flowers with hot pink eyes rising above the foliage from late spring to early summer. Its attractive large succulent round leaves are forest green in color with showy yellow variegation. As an added bonus, the foliage turns a gorgeous burgundy in the fall.

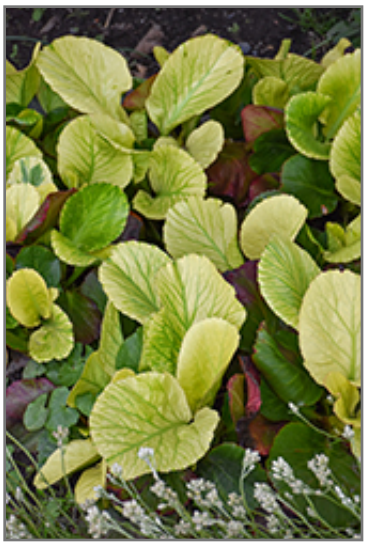
Landscape Attributes

Solar Flare Bergenia is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its wonderfully bold, coarse texture can be very effective in a balanced garden composition.

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.

Solar Flare Bergenia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover



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Planting & Growing

Solar Flare Bergenia will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity extending to 15 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 24 inches. 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 evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant performs well in both full sun and full 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 highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. 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.