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Silver String of Hearts

Ceropegia woodii 'Silver'



Silver String of Hearts foliage
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Height: 6 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 8

Other Names: Silver Glory String of Hearts

Description:

An interesting and unusual trailing succulent with dramatic green foliage with heavy silver variegation, spilling over hanging baskets and containers; prefers bright, indirect light; drought tolerant; can be grown outdoors in warmer climates

Ornamental Features

Silver String of Hearts' attractive succulent round leaves remain green in color with showy silver variegation and tinges of silver throughout the year on a plant with a trailing habit of growth.

Landscape Attributes

Silver String of Hearts is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with a trailing habit of growth, eventually spilling over the edges of hanging baskets and containers. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and usually looks its best without pruning, although it will tolerate pruning. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Silver String of Hearts is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

Planting & Growing

Silver String of Hearts will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 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 does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. Like most succulents and cacti, this plant prefers to grow in poor soils and should therefore never be fertilized. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Silver String of Hearts is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. Because of its trailing habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. 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, this plant may be too tender to survive the winter if left outdoors in a container. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.