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### **Carnival Coffee Bean Coral Bells**

*Heuchera 'Coffee Bean'*

Height: 15 inches

Spread: 14 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: ○ ● ●

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Coralbells, Alumroot

Group/Class: Carnival Series

#### **Description:**

Dainty cream bells rise from a tidy mound of coppery foliage that is infused with tan and red; amazing contrast to other plants; greater heat and humidity tolerance; keep soil moist in heat of summer

#### **Ornamental Features**

Carnival Coffee Bean Coral Bells features dainty spikes of creamy white bell-shaped flowers rising above the foliage from mid spring to early summer. Its attractive crinkled lobed leaves remain coppery-bronze in color with showy tan variegation and tinges of red throughout the year. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Carnival Coffee Bean 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.

Carnival Coffee Bean Coral Bells is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Carnival Coffee Bean Coral Bells foliage*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Carnival Coffee Bean Coral Bells will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 14 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. 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.

This plant performs well in both full sun and full 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 applying a thick mulch around the root zone 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.

Carnival Coffee Bean Coral Bells is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.