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Auslese Lady's Mantle

Alchemilla mollis 'Auslese'

Auslese Lady's Mantle foliage
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Plant Height: 18 inches

Flower Height: 24 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 2b

Description:

Billowy sprays of chartreuse flowers and velvety scalloped leaves add magnificent texture to the garden; fuzzy foliage captures droplets of moisture like sparkling jewels; pest tolerant and deer resistant

Ornamental Features

Auslese Lady's Mantle features subtle cymes of chartreuse flowers at the ends of the stems from early to mid summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its large crinkled round leaves remain grayish green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Auslese Lady's Mantle is a dense herbaceous perennial with a mounded form. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other garden plants with finer foliage.

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. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spreading

Auslese Lady's Mantle is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover

Planting & Growing

Auslese Lady's Mantle will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity extending to 24 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 3 feet. 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. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

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 not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.