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Plum Cascade™ Foamy Bells Heucherella 'Plum Cascade'

Plant Height: 9 inches Flower Height: 12 inches Spread: 32 inches

Spacing: 28 inches

Sunlight: 0

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Group/Class: Cascade Series

### **Description:**

An exciting trailing variety producing plum-purple deeply lobed leaves with silvery highlights and dark gray veins; dainty light pink bell flowers all summer on short stems; a vigorous grower that forms a dense cascading mound

### **Ornamental Features**

Plum Cascade Foamy Bells features dainty spikes of shell pink bell-shaped flowers with white overtones rising above the foliage from early to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive small glossy lobed leaves remain plum purple in color with distinctive dark gray veins and tinges of silver throughout the year.

### Landscape Attributes

Plum Cascade Foamy Bells is a dense herbaceous evergreen perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

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.



Plum Cascade Foamy Bells flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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Plum Cascade Foamy Bells is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

### **Planting & Growing**

Plum Cascade Foamy Bells will grow to be about 9 inches tall at maturity extending to 12 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 32 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 28 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 evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.



Plum Cascade Foamy Bells foliage Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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.

Plum Cascade Foamy 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.