FAMILY TREE NURSERY

Flow Gasteraloe

Gasteraloe 'Flow'



Flow Gasteraloe in full
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Plant Height: 6 inches

Flower Height: 12 inches

Spread: 8 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 10a

Description:

This Aloe and Gasteria hybrid features thick, emerald green leaves speckled with white bumps, and finely toothed edges; produces erect racemes of coral flowers in spring; a wonderful garden or container accent

Ornamental Features

Flow Gasteraloe features dainty racemes of coral-pink tubular flowers rising above the foliage from early to mid spring. Its attractive succulent sword-like leaves remain dark green in color with distinctive white spots throughout the year.

Landscape Attributes

Flow Gasteraloe is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with an upright spreading 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 usually looks its best without pruning, although it will tolerate pruning. 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.

Flow Gasteraloe is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Flow Gasteraloe will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 12 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 8 inches. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

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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. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. 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.

Flow Gasteraloe 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.

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