Coastal Gem Woolly Grevillea

Grevillea lanigera 'Coastal Gem'



Coastal Gem Woolly Grevillea flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 8a

Other Names: Spider Flower

Description:

A hardy and adaptable shrub that will assume a prostrate spreading form; tolerates moderate frost and drought; features rose-pink and white, spidery flower clusters from winter to late spring; an attractive groundcover for areas with coastal conditions

Ornamental Features

Coastal Gem Woolly Grevillea features unusual clusters of rose spider-like flowers with white overtones at the ends of the branches from mid winter to late spring. It has attractive grayish green foliage with hints of silver. The small fuzzy narrow leaves are highly ornamental and remain grayish green throughout the winter.



Coastal Gem Woolly Grevillea in bloom
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Landscape Attributes

Coastal Gem Woolly Grevillea is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a ground-hugging habit of growth. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Coastal Gem Woolly Grevillea is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Coastal Gem Woolly Grevillea will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Coastal Gem Woolly Grevillea makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its spreading 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 grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.