East Bay Nursery

String of Turtles Plant

Peperomia prostrata

Height: 4 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ●

Hardiness Zone: 10b

Description:

This stunning selection produces tiny, rounded, blue-green leaves with intricate silver veining that form along the trailing stems; grown primarily for foliage, flower spikes are not significant; low to bright light, no direct sun

Features & Attributes

String of Turtles Plant's attractive tiny succulent round leaves emerge light green, turning bluish-green in color with distinctive silver veins and tinges of blue throughout the year on a plant with a trailing habit of growth. The brick red stems are very effective and add to the plant's interest.

This is an herbaceous evergreen houseplant with a trailing habit of growth, eventually spilling over the edges of hanging baskets and containers. This plant may benefit from an occasional pruning to look its best.



String of Turtles Plant foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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Planting & Growing

When grown indoors, String of Turtles Plant can be expected to grow to be only 4 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 years. This houseplant should only be grown away from direct sunlight or in a room with strong artificial light. It does best in average to evenly moist soil, but will not tolerate standing water. The surface of the soil shouldn't be allowed to dry out completely, and so you should expect to water this plant once and possibly even twice each week. Be aware that your particular watering schedule may vary depending on its location in the room, the pot size, plant size and other conditions; if in doubt, ask one of our experts in the store for advice. It will benefit from a regular feeding with a general-purpose fertilizer with every second or third watering. It is not particular as to soil type or pH; an average potting soil should work just fine.

There are many factors that will affect the ultimate height, spread and overall performance of a plant when grown indoors; among them, the size of the pot it's growing in, the amount of light it receives, watering frequency, the pruning regimen and repotting schedule. Use the information described here as a guideline only; individual performance can and will vary. Please contact the store to speak with one of our experts if you are interested in further details concerning recommendations on pot size, watering, pruning, repotting, etc.