



PortoGrande™ Magenta Portulaca

Portulaca grandiflora 'KLEPO21045'

Plant Height: 4 inches

Flower Height: 8 inches

Spread: 16 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Moss Rose, Purslane

Group/Class: PortoGrande Series

Description:

Thriving in hot and arid conditions, this series features well branched, trailing plants with large, vibrantly colored flowers over green succulent foliage; early flowering, ideal for hanging baskets, containers and landscape applications

Ornamental Features

PortoGrande Magenta Portulaca features showy fuchsia cup-shaped flowers with gold eyes at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall. Its small succulent oval leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

PortoGrande Magenta Portulaca is an herbaceous annual with a trailing habit of growth, eventually spilling over the edges of hanging baskets and containers. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

PortoGrande Magenta Portulaca is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*PortoGrande Magenta Portulaca flowers
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- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

Planting & Growing

PortoGrande Magenta Portulaca will grow to be only 4 inches tall at maturity extending to 8 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 16 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. 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. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in poor soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. 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.

PortoGrande Magenta Portulaca is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. Because of its trailing 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 growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.