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### **Blue Carpet Stonecrop**

***Sedum hispanicum***

Plant Height: 1 inch

Flower Height: 2 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 10 inches

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4

#### **Description:**

Drought tolerant succulents for full sun areas. Prostrate, very fine textured bluish groundcover. Grows to 1 in.

#### **Ornamental Features**

Blue Carpet Stonecrop is bathed in stunning salmon star-shaped flowers at the ends of the stems from mid to late summer. Its attractive tiny succulent needle-like leaves are silvery blue in color with hints of grayish green. The foliage often turns burgundy in fall.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Blue Carpet Stonecrop is a dense herbaceous evergreen perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spreading

Blue Carpet Stonecrop is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



*Blue Carpet Stonecrop*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Blue Carpet Stonecrop will grow to be only 1 inch tall at maturity extending to 2 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 10 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 evergreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

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 may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. 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. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in both summer and winter to conserve soil moisture and protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This species is not originally from North America. It can be propagated by division.

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