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### Valley Girl Alstroemeria Alstroemeria 'Valley Girl'

Plant Height: 18 inches Flower Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches Spacing: 18 inches Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 6

Other Names: Peruvian Lily

### **Description:**

A wonderful compact, tidy variety producing short stems topped with eye-catching coral blooms with creamy yellow central flares and burgundy speckling; a lovely addition to garden beds, borders and containers; deadhead to promote new growth

#### **Ornamental Features**

Valley Girl Alstroemeria features showy bracted coral-pink trumpet-shaped flowers with buttery yellow overtones and burgundy spots at the ends of the stems from late spring to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its pointy leaves remain green in color throughout the season.



Valley Girl Alstroemeria flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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#### **Landscape Attributes**

Valley Girl Alstroemeria is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Valley Girl Alstroemeria is recommended for the following landscape applications;



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- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

#### **Planting & Growing**

Valley Girl Alstroemeria will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity extending to 24 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches apart. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. 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 type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Valley Girl Alstroemeria is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, this plant may be too tender to survive the winter if left outdoors in a container. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.