

# Plant Facts

## Coral Bells *Heuchera sanguinea* spp.

Other Common Names: Alum Root



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### General Information

Derived from North American native perennials, *Heuchera* cultivars are tough, vigorous beauties for the partially shaded garden. Rounded ruffled or wavy leaves form rosette mounds topped by delicate spires of bell-shaped flowers that attract hummingbirds and butterflies. Versatile Coral Bells are used in perennial borders, as accent groups in the shade garden, or as container subjects. They make excellent cut flowers.

### Characteristics

**Hardiness Zones:** 3 to 8

**Heat Tolerance:** Medium

**Size:** 1-2 feet tall/wide

**Flowers:** Very small tubular flowers in shades of red, pink, and white

**Bloom time:** May to June

**Leaves:** Maple-leaf shaped foliage, green or purple

### Pests and Disease Problems

None

### CORAL BELLS

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Native Perennial



Part Sun/Shade

1-2' Tall/Wide

Pollinator Friendly



Water: Medium

Color: Pink to Coral Red Bells

Blooms: Summer

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### Plant Care

Plant in well-drained loamy or sandy soil in partial shade (avoid hot afternoon sun). *Heuchera* are relatively drought tolerant when established but need regular irrigation during the summer for best performance. Deadhead to prolong blooming season. Propagate by division, seed, or cuttings. Divide the root-ball in spring when the plant center becomes woody. In the fall, direct sow seed outdoors, or take leaf cuttings with short petiole segments to root in sand.

### Warning

N/A

### Sources for Additional Information

Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center. [Heuchera sanguinea](#)

Missouri Botanical Garden. [Heuchera sanguinea](#)  
 Texas SmartScape. [Coral Bells](#)