

## Lamb's Ear *Stachys byzantina*

Other Common Names: Big Ears, 'Helen Von Stein'



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### General Information

Excellent perennial cultivar. Grows in clumps and provides a nice textural change among green plants. Nice border or ground cover

### Characteristics

**Hardiness Zones:** 4-8

**Heat Tolerance:** High

**Size:** 6-12 inches tall by 1-2 feet wide

**Flowers:** Rare, typically snipped off

**Bloom time:** Summer

**Leaves:** Woolly, gray-green foliage

### Pests and Disease Problems

Susceptible to leaf rot with high humidity or excessive water.

### BIG LAMB'S EARS

*Stachys byzantina* 'Helene Von Stein'

**Mounding Evergreen Perennial**



**Pollinator Friendly**



**Full Sun/Light Shade** **Water:** Low-medium, drought Tolerant

6"-1' Tall x 1-2' Wide **Color:** Woolly, gray-green foliage,

**Blooms:** Summer (rare), purplish pink

Ground cover, creeping stems root as they go

Dislikes overhead watering

**Grown by a Denton County Master Gardener**

### Plant Care

Space 15-24 inches apart. Prefers full sun but will tolerate some shade. Well drained soil. Tolerates heat and humidity. Neutral pH soil. Blooms can be pruned to keep plant neat and tidy. Transplants can be started at any season. Mature plants can be divided.

### Warning

None

### Sources for Additional Information

Missouri Botanical Garden. [Stachys byzantina](#)

TAMU, Aggie Horticulture. [Lamb's Ear \(Stachys byzantina\)](#)

Texas SmartScape. [Lamb's Ear](#)