

## Texas Rock Rose *Pavonia lasiopetala*

**Other Common Names:** Pavonia, Rose Mallow, Rock Rose, Wright Pavonia



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**ROCK ROSE**  
*Pavonia lasiopetala*

🇹🇽 **Native Perennial Annual**    🦋 **Hummingbirds, Butterflies, Moths**

☀️ **Full Sun / Part Sun**    💧 **Water: Low, drought tolerant**  
 2-4' Tall x 2-3' Wide    🌸 **Color: Pink, Yellow Stamens**

🌸 **Bloom: Spring to fall frost**

Texas Superstar    Deciduous shrub    Nectar Source  
 Reseeds readily    Mulch for winter protection

**Grown by a Denton County Master Gardener**

### General Information

This Texas Superstar is a rounded wooded shrub perennial with small pink, hibiscus-shaped flowers. Native to Texas' Edwards Plateau and the Trans Pecos area. Texas rock rose is very drought tolerant and not too picky about soil.

### Characteristics

**Hardiness Zones:** 8 to 13

**Heat Tolerance:** High

**Size:** 2-4 feet tall by 2-3 feet wide

**Flowers:** Miniature, deep rose pink heart-shaped flowers open mornings and close in afternoon

**Bloom time:** Spring through first frost

**Leaves:** Heart-shaped, light green, velvety leaves

### Pests and Disease Problems

None

### Plant Care

Pavonia is a popular garden accent plant throughout Texas. Minimal bed preparation is required for this native plant. The Texas rock rose has a woody base and an open-branching form, which may be kept more compact by pruning. Although Pavonia may live only 3 to 6 years, it will self-sow seeds or may be propagated with saved seed or softwood cuttings. Grows in sun or part shade. Protect the plant with a layer of mulch in the winter.

### Warning

None

### Sources for Additional Information

Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center. [Pavonia lasiopetala](#)

TAMU, Aggie Horticulture. [Pavonia, Rose Mallow, Rock Rose, Wright Pavonia](#)

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