



## Highlander Rose Shades Saxifrage

*Saxifraga x arendsii* 'Highlander Rose Shades'

Plant Height: 8 inches

Flower Height: 12 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 10 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Mossy Saxifrage, Rockrose

Group/Class: Highlander Series

### Description:

An easy care variety that is covered with intense rose-pink and white flowers on short stems, over mounded foliage ; perfect as a rock garden accent; this hybrid is also good in the garden with plenty of humus that wont dry out

### Ornamental Features

Highlander Rose Shades Saxifrage features tiny rose cup-shaped flowers with white overtones and yellow eyes at the ends of the stems in mid spring, which emerge from distinctive hot pink flower buds. Its narrow leaves remain emerald green in color throughout the season.

### Landscape Attributes

Highlander Rose Shades Saxifrage is an herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. 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 should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Highlander Rose Shades Saxifrage is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



*Highlander Rose Shades Saxifrage flowers*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Highlander Rose Shades Saxifrage will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity extending to 12 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. 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 requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth, but will die in standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Highlander Rose Shades Saxifrage is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.

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