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Dolce Vita Medinilla

Medinilla 'Dolce Vita'



Dolce Vita Medinilla flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 10

Other Names: Malaysian Orchid, Rose Grape

Description:

A stunning tropical plant that is great for shady areas or containers; a fine houseplant for colder climates; rose pink flower clusters hang gracefully below the contrasting deep green glossy leaves for a truly unique look; likes loose, rich soil

Features & Attributes

Dolce Vita Medinilla features showy clusters of rose orchid-like flowers hanging below the branches from mid spring to mid summer, which emerge from distinctive coral-pink flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive glossy pointy leaves remain dark green in color with curious light green undersides throughout the year.

This is a multi-stemmed evergreen houseplant with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture stands it apart from other indoor plants with finer foliage. You may trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage releat blooming.

Planting & Growing

When grown indoors, Dolce Vita Medinilla can be expected to grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years. This houseplant performs well in both bright or indirect sunlight and strong artificial light, and can therefore be situated in almost any well-lit room or location. It prefers to grow in average to moist soil. The surface of the soil shouldn't be allowed to dry out completely, and so you should expect to water this plant once and possibly even twice each week. Be aware that your particular watering schedule may vary depending on its location in the room, the pot size, plant size and other conditions; if in doubt, ask one of our experts in the store for advice. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soil. Contact the store for specific recommendations on pre-mixed potting soil for this plant.

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There are many factors that will affect the ultimate height, spread and overall performance of a plant when grown indoors; among them, the size of the pot it's growing in, the amount of light it receives, watering frequency, the pruning regimen and repotting schedule. Use the information described here as a guideline only; individual performance can and will vary. Please contact the store to speak with one of our experts if you are interested in further details concerning recommendations on pot size, watering, pruning, repotting, etc.

-- THIS IS A HOUSEPLANT AND IS NOT MEANT TO SURVIVE THE WINTER OUTDOORS IN OUR CLIMATE --