



Bronze Beauty Ajuga
Ajuga reptans 'Bronze Beauty'

Height: 9 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Sunlight: ● ●

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Bugleweed, Carpet Bugle

Description:

A vigorous, low growing and spreading selection that features beautiful bronze tinged, green foliage; blue flower spikes appear in the spring and into the early summer; heat tolerant and low maintenance; deadhead spent flowers

Ornamental Features

Bronze Beauty Ajuga's attractive small crinkled round leaves remain forest green in color with prominent coppery-bronze tips throughout the year on a plant with a spreading habit of growth. It features subtle spikes of sky blue flowers rising above the foliage from mid to late spring.

Landscape Attributes

Bronze Beauty Ajuga is a dense herbaceous evergreen perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

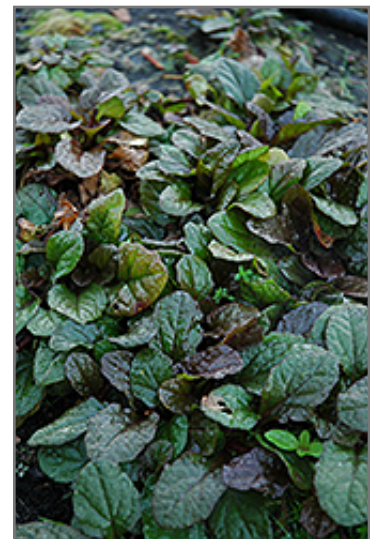
This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spreading

Bronze Beauty Ajuga is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Bronze Beauty Ajuga flowers
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Bronze Beauty Ajuga foliage
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Planting & Growing

Bronze Beauty Ajuga will grow to be about 9 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an evergreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant does best in partial shade to shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider covering it with a thick layer of mulch in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Bronze Beauty Ajuga is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.