



Garvinea Sweet Dreams Gerbera Daisy Gerbera 'Garvinea Sweet Dreams'

Height: 18 inches Spread: 18 inches Spacing: 24 inches Sunlight: **O O** Hardiness Zone: 6b

Other Names: Transvaal Daisy

Group/Class: Garvinea Series

Description:

This cold hardy variety produces large, luminous, hot pink blooms with dark brown centers; extremely floriferous and great for borders and containers



Garvinea Sweet Dreams Gerbera Daisy flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Garvinea Sweet Dreams Gerbera Daisy features bold hot pink daisy flowers with brown eyes at the ends of the stems from early summer to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its glossy oval leaves remain dark green in color with curious grayish green undersides throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Garvinea Sweet Dreams Gerbera Daisy is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading 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. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Garvinea Sweet Dreams Gerbera Daisy is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

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Planting & Growing

Garvinea Sweet Dreams Gerbera Daisy will grow to be about 16 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 24 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 3 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 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 highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Garvinea Sweet Dreams Gerbera Daisy is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. 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.