



## Great Falls Rose Gold Coleus *Solenostemon scutellarioides* 'Rose Gold'

Height: 8 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: ● ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Great Falls Series

### Description:

A semi-trailing variety producing small textured leaves of gold with rose-red veining; performs wonderfully in hanging baskets, patio containers and garden beds; part sun and high shade for best color; low maintenance and fast growing

### Ornamental Features

Great Falls Rose Gold Coleus' attractive small serrated oval leaves remain gold in color with distinctive rose veins and tinges of chartreuse throughout the season on a plant with a mounded habit of growth.

### Landscape Attributes

Great Falls Rose Gold Coleus is an herbaceous annual with a mounded form. 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 is a relatively low maintenance plant. The flowers of this plant may actually detract from its ornamental features, so they can be removed as they appear. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Great Falls Rose Gold Coleus is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Great Falls Rose Gold Coleus foliage*  
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- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

## **Planting & Growing**

Great Falls Rose Gold Coleus will grow to be about 8 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 12 inches apart. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant does best in partial shade to shade. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth, but will die in standing water. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone over the growing season to conserve soil moisture. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Great Falls Rose Gold Coleus 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 canvas of foliage against which the 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.