# Green Pinwheel

***Aeonium decorum***



*Green Pinwheel*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

Plant Height: 12 inches

Flower Height: 18 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 9b

**Description:**

A multi-branching succulent shrub, presenting a low, dense mound of thick, green leaves, occasionally tinged red on the margins; pale pink flowers in summer; has a beautiful symmetrical form, perfect for rock gardens, accenting, or containers

**Ornamental Features**

Green Pinwheel has clusters of shell pink star-shaped flowers rising above the foliage from late spring to mid summer. It has attractive green foliage edged in red. The succulent oval compound leaves are highly ornamental but do not develop any appreciable fall color.

**Landscape Attributes**

Green Pinwheel is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and usually looks its best without pruning, although it will tolerate pruning. 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.

Green Pinwheel is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

## Planting & Growing

Green Pinwheel will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity extending to 18 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 24 inches. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is not originally from North America. It can be propagated by division.

Green Pinwheel makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.