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# Auricula 'Black Jack'

*Primula auricula* 'Black Jack' Also known as: **Fancy show auricular 'Black Jack', Show auricular 'Black Jack'**

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*Auricula (Primula auricula)*:

*Primula auricula* is also known as Bears' Ears due to the shape of the leaves resembling the ears of a bear. The word 'auricula' actually means 'ear shaped'. This plant grows among rocks in the mountain ranges of central Europe. It's a small evergreen flowering plant, growing up to about 8 inches in height. The flowers grow in clusters on top of the stalks. It has been given a RHS Award of Garden Merit. There are many varieties of *primula auricula* with various colours, some multi-coloured. They don't like to get too wet nor do they like too much full sun. The alpine varieties are easier to grow than the show varieties, so bear this in mind when you're choosing your *primula auricula*s.



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Plant	Environment	Usage
<b>Known dangers?</b> no	<b>Acidity</b> Acidic Neutral	<b>Standard category</b> Flowers & bulbs Perennials
<b>Height [m]</b> 0.2 - 0.3	<b>Hardiness zone</b> Z3-8	<b>Grown for</b> Attractive Flowers
<b>Spread [m]</b> 0.3	<b>Heat zone</b> H8-1	<b>Creative category</b> Colours Show-offs Roses & classics

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<b>Dominant flower colour</b> Red	<b>Winter temperatures [°C]</b> -40 - -7	<b>Garden type</b> Cottage garden Rock garden Containers City Gravel garden
<b>Flower Fragrance</b> No, neutral please	<b>Heat days</b> 0 - 120	<b>Garden spaces</b> Flower beds Borders
<b>Flowering seasons</b> Early spring Mid spring Late spring	<b>Moisture</b> well-drained but frequently watered poorly-drained	<b>Gardening expertise</b> intermediate
<b>Foliage in spring</b> Green	<b>Soil type</b> sandy loams	<b>Time to reach full size</b> 2 to 5 years
<b>Foliage in summer</b> Green	<b>Sun requirements</b> Full sun Partial shade	
<b>Foliage in Autumn</b> Green	<b>Exposure</b> Exposed Sheltered	
<b>Foliage in winter</b> Green		
<b>Propagation methods</b> seed basal cuttings division root cuttings offsets		
<b>Growth habit</b> Clump-forming		