

Orpine

Sedum telephium Also known as: **Dark purple orpine, Purple orpine** *Sedum telephium subsp. maximum*

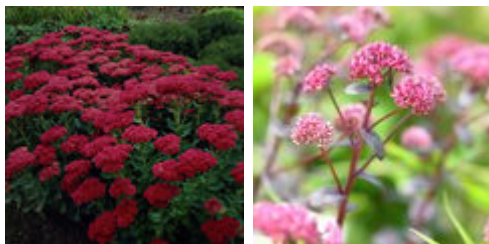
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This description is for **Orpine (Sedum telephium)**:

Flowers late, so stays on in winter to make up for lost time.

Hugely impressive in any garden, *Sedum telephium* is ideal for adding a curious splash of colour to a garden even in winter. Deciduous, its blue-green foliage is shed by the time winter comes, but its seed heads remain in glorious shades of deep pink and purple. Summer sees it produce some stunning purple-pink flower heads comprising a multitude of tiny individual blossoms standing on an erect stem, lending vibrancy along with it. At home in well-drained soil and in full sun, this mat-forming perennial is ideally suited for rockeries and gravel beds and other areas that may need some colour.



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Plant	Environment	Usage
Known dangers? no	Acidity Neutral Alkaline	Standard category Flowers & bulbs Perennials
Height [m] 0.6	Hardiness zone Z4-9	Grown for Attractive Flowers
Spread [m] 0.3	Heat zone H9-3	Creative category Kid Approved For Beginners Colours

Plant	Environment	Usage
Dominant flower colour Pink	Winter temperatures [°C] -34 - -1	Garden type Cottage garden Coastal Containers City Gravel garden
Flower Fragrance No, neutral please	Heat days 7 - 150	Garden spaces Flower beds Edging Borders
Flowering seasons Late summer Early autumn	Moisture well-drained	Gardening expertise beginner
Foliage in spring Grey-green	Soil type sandy chalky loams	Time to reach full size 2 to 5 years
Foliage in summer Grey-green	Sun requirements Full sun	
Foliage in Autumn Grey-green	Exposure Exposed Sheltered	
Propagation methods softwood cuttings seed division		
Growth habit Clump-forming		