



## Hippo® Rose Polka Dot Plant

*Hypoestes phyllostachya* 'G14160'

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 10 inches

Sunlight: ○ ● ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Hippo Series

### Ornamental Features

Hippo Rose Polka Dot Plant's attractive oval leaves remain dark green in color with distinctive rose spots throughout the year on a plant with a mounded habit of growth.

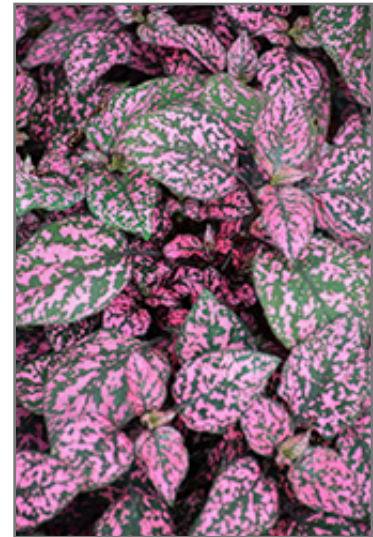
### Landscape Attributes

Hippo Rose Polka Dot Plant 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, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. 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.

Hippo Rose Polka Dot Plant is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets



*Hippo Rose Polka Dot Plant foliage*  
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*Hippo Rose Polka Dot Plant*  
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outside.

### **Planting & Growing**

Hippo Rose Polka Dot Plant will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 10 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant performs well in both full sun and full 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 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.

Hippo Rose Polka Dot Plant 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.