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Limerick™ Isabella Clover

Trifolium 'Limerick Isabella'

Height: 5 inches

Spread: 15 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 7a

Group/Class: Limerick Series

Description:

An easy to grow trailing selection featuring rich shades of burgundy and green; mixes well with other plants, making an excellent filler or spiller for mixed containers; stays beautiful all season long

Ornamental Features

Limerick Isabella Clover's attractive round palmate leaves emerge light green in spring, turning burgundy in color with distinctive lime green spots and tinges of red throughout the season on a plant with a spreading habit of growth.

Landscape Attributes

Limerick Isabella Clover is a dense herbaceous perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. 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 high maintenance plant that will require regular care and upkeep, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Limerick Isabella Clover is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Groundcover
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets



Limerick Isabella Clover foliage
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Limerick Isabella Clover flowers
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Planting & Growing

Limerick Isabella Clover will grow to be only 4 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 inches. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in full sun to partial 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 somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Limerick Isabella Clover is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.