



Maggy Queen of Hearts Homalomena rubescens 'Maggy'

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: O D

Hardiness Zone: 10a

Other Names: Shield Plant

Group/Class: Leafjoy Houseplants

## **Description:**

A stunning, adaptable houseplant featuring large, heart shaped, deep green leaves with beautiful orangey-pink petioles; a very easy care plant for lower-light locations in your home; provide source of humidity in drier environments



Maggy Queen of Hearts in full Photo courtesy of Proven Winners

## Features & Attributes

Maggy Queen of Hearts' attractive large glossy heart-shaped leaves remain dark green in colour throughout the year on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth. The coral-pink stems can be quite attractive and add to the plant's interest.

This is an open herbaceous evergreen houseplant with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture stands it apart from other indoor plants with finer foliage. This plant should not require much pruning, except when necessary to keep it looking its best.

## **Planting & Growing**

When grown indoors, Maggy Queen of Hearts can be expected to grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. This houseplant performs well in both bright or indirect sunlight and strong artificial light, and can therefore be situated in almost any well-lit room or location. It does best in average to evenly moist soil, but will not tolerate standing water. The surface of the soil shouldn't be allowed to dry out completely, and so you should expect to water this plant once and possibly even twice each week. Be aware that your particular watering schedule may vary depending on its location in the room, the pot size, plant size and other conditions; if in doubt, ask one of our experts in the store for advice. It will benefit from a regular feeding with a general-purpose fertilizer with every second or third watering. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soil. Contact the store for specific recommendations on pre-mixed potting soil for this plant.

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There are many factors that will affect the ultimate height, spread and overall performance of a plant when grown indoors; among them, the size of the pot it's growing in, the amount of light it receives, watering frequency, the pruning regimen and repotting schedule. Use the information described here as a guideline only; individual performance can and will vary. Please contact the store to speak with one of our experts if you are interested in further details concerning recommendations on pot size, watering, pruning, repotting, etc.

-- THIS IS A HOUSEPLANT AND IS NOT MEANT TO SURVIVE THE WINTER OUTDOORS IN OUR CLIMATE --

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