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## Double Scoop™ Bubble Gum Coneflower

***Echinacea 'Balscblum'***

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 20 inches

Spacing: 20 inches

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4

**Description:**

This stunning echinacea produces large flowers that are bubble gum pink, with coppery centers; a perfect choice for planting in groups, along border edges, or in containers; great for flower arrangements; attracts pollinators



*Double Scoop Bubble Gum Coneflower flowers*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

**Ornamental Features**

Double Scoop Bubble Gum Coneflower has masses of beautiful lightly-scented double pink daisy flowers with coppery-bronze eyes at the ends of the stems from mid summer to early fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its pointy leaves remain green in color throughout the season.



*Double Scoop Bubble Gum Coneflower in bloom*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

**Landscape Attributes**

Double Scoop Bubble Gum Coneflower is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading 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.


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This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting birds and butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Double Scoop Bubble Gum Coneflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



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**Planting & Growing**

Double Scoop Bubble Gum Coneflower will grow to be about 20 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 20 inches apart. It grows at a medium 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 should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. 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 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.

Double Scoop Bubble Gum Coneflower is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.

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