

Culture Sheet: *Technical Information for Growers*

Name: *Heuchera* **Common name:** coral bells

Scheduling Information

Available sizes: 72, 50, LP32 **Sales Window:** winter, mid-summer

Plug size	72	50	LP32
Finish size	Trade 1gal	Trade 1gal	Trade 1gal
Weeks to finish	10-12	8-10	6-8
When to plant	Late summer-early fall Late winter-late spring	Late winter-late spring	Late winter-late spring

Growing on to Finish

Media:	Professional potting media
pH:	5.8-6.2
Irrigation:	Water thoroughly when needed and allow media to slightly dry between waterings. Heuchera prefer average moisture levels. They do not tolerate overly wet or overly dry conditions. Do not allow to dry out between waterings.
Fertilizer:	Heuchera are moderate feeders. Use a balanced fertilizer at a rate of 100 to 125 ppm as needed. Can also use a controlled release fertilizer at a rate equivalent to one pound of nitrogen per cubic yard of growing media may be used. This may be incorporated into the soil prior to planting or used as a top dressing onto the soil medium surface.
Light:	Provide 30 - 50% shade in the north and 50 - 70% shade in the south. (1,500-2,500 f.c.) Daylength neutral.
Temperature:	Growing: 60-65F Holding: 50-60F
Pest & Disease:	Insect pests in production are rare. Good watering practices and adequate air circulation is key to growing good Heuchera crops. Plants with dense canopies can succumb to botrytis, especially during overwinter. Root rot can also occur. Pythium, Phytophthora, powdery mildew, rust and leaf spots also have been observed.
Vernalization:	Typically grown for foliage, not flower. Vernalization is required for flowering. Vernalization is beneficial for all varieties for flower performance. Provide 8 to 10 weeks of temperatures below 40° F.

Grower Tips:

- Heuchera grown for their flower performance should be planted in late summer and overwintered for spring floral display.
- Under high light intensities, marginal leaf burn may occur if the plants become water stressed.

Disclaimer: Cultural information is provided as a guide only. North Creek Nurseries does not guarantee the exact results, as growth and finish times may vary depending upon your location, climate, cultural practices and other influences. Always check manufacturers' labels for approved rates and usage instructions when applying fertilizer or other chemicals.

Sources: Darwin Perennials, Walter's Gardens, Ball RedBook Vol 2 (18th ed)



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