

# SHELME RDINE

## SECOND NATURE



### **Zonta Chrysanthemum** *Chrysanthemum 'Zonta'*

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Garden Mum, Korean Mum, Dendranthemum

#### **Ornamental Features**

Zonta Chrysanthemum is smothered in stunning coral-pink daisy flowers with creamy white overtones at the ends of the stems from early to late fall, which emerge from distinctive coppery-bronze flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its fragrant ferny leaves remain green in colour throughout the season. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Zonta Chrysanthemum is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. 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.

Zonta Chrysanthemum is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

#### **Planting & Growing**

Zonta Chrysanthemum will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.



*Zonta Chrysanthemum flowers*  
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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 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.

Zonta Chrysanthemum 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 store for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.