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# SHELME RDINE

SECOND NATURE



## Romeo™ Red Twinspur

*Diascia 'Romeo Red'*

Height: 8 inches

Spread: 8 inches

Spacing: 6 inches

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Romeo Series

### Description:

A wonderful upright mounded series that features masses of large, colorful, pea-like flowers rising above green foliage; prefers cooler weather; perfect for hanging baskets, containers, garden beds or borders

### Ornamental Features

Romeo Red Twinspur features dainty spikes of red pea-like flowers with dark red eyes at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall. Its small pointy leaves remain green in colour throughout the season.

### Landscape Attributes

Romeo Red Twinspur is an herbaceous annual with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Romeo Red Twinspur is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets



*Romeo Red Twinspur flowers*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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## **Planting & Growing**

Romeo Red Twinspur will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 6 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

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 cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Romeo Red Twinspur 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.