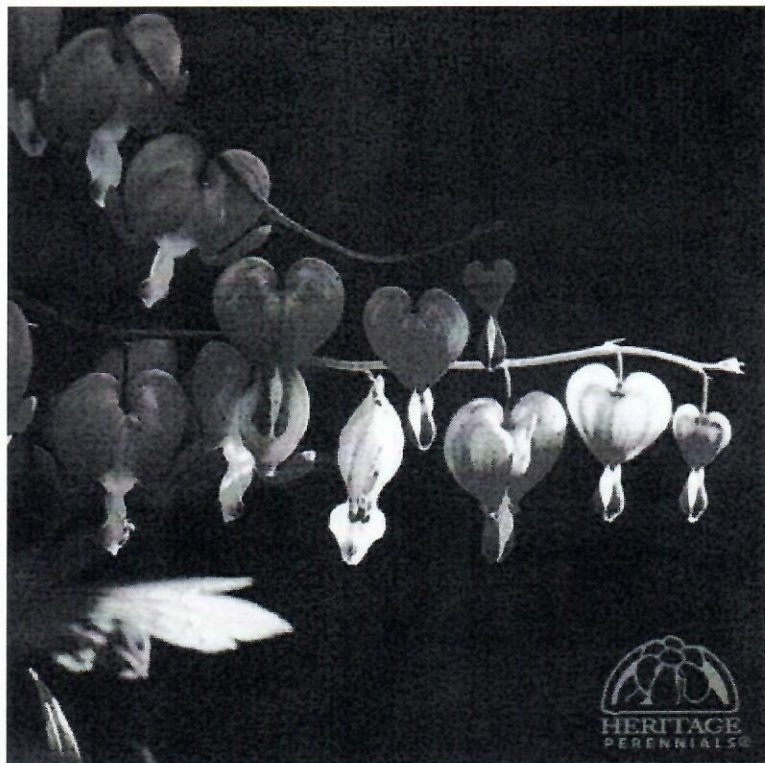




Dicentra spectabilis

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Garden Diary

Date purchased or acquired:

Where acquired:

Location in the garden:

Observations:

Dicentra spectabilis
Old-fashioned Bleedingheart
 Plant number: 1.187.050

USDA Zone: 2-9

One of the most popular of old-fashioned garden plants, Bleedinghearts burst into flower in late spring. Plants form a bushy, upright mound of light green foliage, with a somewhat ferny appearance. Dangling bright-pink locket flowers are held on arching stems, and these are excellent for cutting. Performs best in a rich, moist soil with partial shade, or at least protection from hot afternoon sun. After flowering, the plants should be sheared back to 6 inches tall, to rejuvenate the foliage. Even still, these often go completely dormant by midsummer, to return again the following spring. As an interesting sidenote, botanists have decided to change the name of the plant to Lamprocapnos spectabilis. Here at Heritage Perennials, we'll be waiting for a while to see if the new name sticks before we start calling it that.

Further details for Dicentra spectabilis

Optimal Growing Conditions

Sun Exposure
Partial Shade

Soil Type
Normal or
Sandy or
Clay

Soil pH
Neutral or
Alkaline or
Acid

Soil Moisture
Average or
Moist

Care Level
Easy

Appearance and Characteristics

Flower Colour
Deep Pink
White

Blooming Time
Early Summer
Late Spring

Foliage Color
Light Green

Plant Uses & Characteristics

Accent: Good Texture/Form

Attracts Butterflies

Border

Containers

Cut Flower

Deer Resistant

Rabbit Resistant

Massed

Poisonous/Toxic

Specimen

Woodland

Height

70-90 cm

27-35 inches

Spread

70-90 cm

27-35 inches

Foot Traffic

None

Growth Rate

Medium



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