



## **Pazzaz™ Nano Tropical Punch Portulaca**

***Portulaca oleracea 'Pazzaz Nano Tropical Punch'***

Height: 10 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Moss Rose, Purslane

Group/Class: Pazzaz Nano Series

### **Description:**

A beautiful heat and drought tolerant variety featuring a compact, semi-upright habit and intense colored blooms; succulent green foliage creates a visually stunning addition to any hanging basket, container, border or garden; self-cleaning plant

### **Ornamental Features**

Pazzaz Nano Tropical Punch Portulaca features showy rose cup-shaped flowers with coral-pink overtones and yellow eyes at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall. Its small succulent oval leaves remain green in color with distinctive burgundy edges throughout the season.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Pazzaz Nano Tropical Punch Portulaca is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds 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.

Pazzaz Nano Tropical Punch Portulaca is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Pazzaz Nano Tropical Punch Portulaca flowers*  
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*Pazzaz Nano Tropical Punch Portulaca in bloom*  
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- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

### **Planting & Growing**

Pazzaz Nano Tropical Punch Portulaca will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Pazzaz Nano Tropical Punch Portulaca is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.

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