

Botanical Name: Begonia species

Common Name: Angel-wing Begonia

Type of Plant: Dicot: perennial Character Evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape upright, shrubby begonia with cane-like stems. Large,
fleshy, spotted leaves with a wing-like shape

Height to 6' Spread to 3' Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure in/out bright, cool areas indoors; shaded patio

Soil prefers a peat-based, well-drained soil

Hardiness prefers humid indoors -- tender to frost outdoors

Morphology:

Leaves large, palmate, oblique on 10" long, 6" wide; waxy;
can be slightly spiny, irreg. toothed, spotted; usually red or bronze

Flowers late spring; flattened, pink or white in clusters of
3 or 4 to 1"

Fruit three-valved capsule -- inconspicuous

Propagation: seed, leaf, stem and cane cuttings

Usage: large container plant for patios, large indoor beds
or planters -- used for silhouette or leaves as much as flowers

Landscape Care:

Watering need ample watering -- but drainage must be very good

Fertilizing balanced, half-strength 2X/month

Pruning head back or pinch occasionally to keep dense

Pests/Diseases mealybug, root rot

Special Conditions repot frequently as plants get larger

Origin: cultivar Family: Begoniaceae