

Botanical Name: Oenothera berlandieri (O. speciosa)

Common Name: Mexican evening primrose

Type of Plant: dicot: perennial Character semi-deciduous

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape rounded, sprawling, shrubby, multi-branched herbaceous  
plant covered with pink poppy-like flowers; spreads by running rhizomes

Height 12" - 24" Spread 2' - 5' Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun

Soil grows in any soil

Hardiness hardy (Zones 2-24)

Morphology:

Leaves lower leaves oblanceolate to obovate, 1"-3" long, medium  
green

Flowers pink, 2" wide, trumpet-shaped; open during daylight; late  
spring

Fruit small capsule

Propagation: division, stem cuttings, seed

Usage: good for slope plantings, dry areas, beach plantings;  
mixes well with ivy, iceplant, other groundcovers

Landscape Care:

Watering will tolerate much drought after established

Fertilizing none

Pruning head back to control spread; can be invasive

Pests/Diseases none

Special Conditions potential invasiveness makes this a difficult plant to use

Origin: Texas, Mex. Family: Onagraceae