

Botanical Name: Saxifraga stolonifera

Common Name: Strawberry geranium, Strawberry begonia

Type of Plant: dicot: perennial Family Saxifragaceae

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape Clumping, creeping, spreading plant with long runners which
produce small plantlets – can be used as a groundcover

Height to 12 in. Spread to 12 in. Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure in/outdoors prefers bright light indoors, shade outdoors

Soil prefers a moist, well-drained soil

Hardiness Hardy – Zones 1-9, 14-24

Morphology:

Leaves Orbiculate to cordate leaves, dark green with hairy surfaces;
undersides of leaves are densely spotted with purple; upper surfaces line with
silvery veins

Flowers loose panicles of tiny, white, bell-shaped flowers which can be
held up to 2 ft. above the foliage

Fruit tiny nutlet

Propagation: runners, division

Usage: groundcover in moist, shady areas; also used as a hanging basket
plant – can be used in forest style landscapes, mixed with azaleas or other
small-scale shrubs

Landscape Care:

Watering needs ample watering – not drought tolerant

Fertilizing slow-release fertilizer in spring

Pruning remove dead flowers and dead leaves

Pests/Diseases mealybug, root rot where drainage is poor

Other

Origin: Central Europe