

# Winecups



## *Callirhoe involucrata*

- **Use:** A native wildflower that decorates the garden with a summer-long display of bright magenta-pink flowers. A sprawling grower, long branches spread across the ground to create a colorful groundcover of flowers and foliage serves as a larval host plant for several butterfly species, most notably the Gray Hairstreak Butterfly. Deer resistant.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Plant in full sun to partial sun. Use slow release or water soluble fertilizer. Keep soil moist watering under leaves and flowers for best results. Do not over-water plant. Tolerant of dry soils. Prefers moist, well-drained soil but is tolerant of drier soils and coastal conditions.
- **Growth:** Grows 8-12" tall x 4-5' wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 3-9; Perennial. Mulch around plant in the winter.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Leaves are palmately divided into 5-7 finger-like lobes.
- **Flower:** Solitary, upward facing, cup-shaped, five-petaled, poppy-like, magenta flowers (to 2.5" wide) continuously appear on thin stems above the foliage from mid-spring to fall. Stamens form a prominent central column typical of mallow family members, but with distinctive style branches.

**In late spring and summer, plants are covered with a mantle of lovely magenta cup shaped blossoms. The flowers have white throats and look similar to tiny hibiscus blossoms.**

