Paint the Town Magenta Dianthus











Dianthus 'Paint the Town Magenta'

- <u>Use:</u> This bright colored perennial produces single, vibrant magenta flowers atop
 a low mound of glaucous blue foliage. Use it to edge sunny borders and pathways. These fragrant, spicy red flowers look wonderful as a border plant, rock
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 walks or paths, or as edging.
- <u>Exposure/Soil</u>: Needs a sunny site with well-drained soil, but will tolerate some shade in the afternoon along with humidity. Regular watering during prolonged dry spells will be necessary. However, they are tolerant of short periods of dryness. Little water needed once established.
- <u>Growth:</u> The habit is compact and mounding to a height of about 6-8" tall and 12-14" wide. Trim off old flowers for a refresh of new blooms.
- *Hardiness:* Zone 5-9, Perennial
- **Foliage:** Evergreen; glaucous grey-green foliage provides a stark contrast for these shockingly showy flowers.
- Flower: Produces ¾-1", single, vibrant magenta flowers and serrated petals. Flowers completely cover the plant when it's in peak. Flowers are held on strong stems above blue-green leaves. Though budding is most prolific in early summer, plants often rebloom in the fall. Prune off old flowers for longest bloom time. Beneficial pollinators are attracted by the brilliant red color of the flowers to the sweet nectar.