

Silverine Hens and Chicks



Sempervivum 'Silverine'

- **Use:** Sempervivum is comprised of one large rosette called the "hen" which sprouts many smaller rosettes around it called "chicks". As the plants age, the "hen" may die out and be replaced by the "chicks". Plants can be divided easily at any time by pulling up some of the "chicks" and replanting them elsewhere. This plant is particularly effective when planted in the cracks and crevices of stone walls or walkways. It is also very attractive in containers.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun is best to show their best colors and maintain a tight rosette form. They thrive in gritty, well-draining soils and pots with drainage holes. Amend red clay for good drainage.
- **Growth:** Grows 3-6" tall and 8-10" wide. Spreads more over time, but not invasive. They produce new offsets or "chicks" on stolons.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 3-8; Perennial
- **Foliage:** Semi-evergreen. Forms rosettes of sharply pointed, silvery green leaves which are flushed with reddish-purple at the base. This color may vary from season to season.
- **Flower:** Unique deep pink flowers are held aloft on short, leafy stalks in midsummer.



Spreading slowly to form a dense mat, this drought tolerant succulent is perfect for planting in crevices of stone walkways and walls. Attractive in containers.

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