

Bugleweed - Plant



Ajuga reptans, Lycopos europaeus

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Description *Ajuga reptans*, also known as bugleweed, ground pine, carpet bugle, or just bugle, is a genus of annual and perennial herbaceous flowering plants in the mint family Lamiaceae, with most species

Common name: *Ajuga reptans*, *Lycopos europaeus*

Color: Purple

Bloom time: May to June

Height: 0.50 to 0.75 feet

Difficulty level: easy to grow

Planting & Care

Grow bugleweed in full to partial shade. Choose an area with well-draining, fertile soil and good air circulation. Plant bugleweed along the edges of driveways, sidewalks and other hardscapes or in planters to contain it from spreading into unwanted areas. Space plants one foot apart when planting.

Water more frequently during hot, dry summer periods. Water bugleweed with a hose when the top 1 to 2 inches of soil becomes dry. Water thoroughly and deeply, so the soil is moist but not soggy. Water once every two to three weeks during the remainder of the year.

Fertilize bugleweed only if the plant is growing in poor soil or if its growth is weak. Apply an all-purpose water soluble fertilizer at a rate of 1 tablespoon per 1 gallon of water. Fertilize bugleweed in the morning. Water the plants after fertilizing to wash off any fertilizer on the leaves into the soil.

Sunlight: Full sun to part shade

Soil: well-drained soil

Water: Medium

Temperature: 69-73° F.

Fertilizer: Apply any organic fertilizer

Care:

- Once established, ajuga plants requires little care.

- Unless it's really dry, ajuga can usually sustain itself with normal rainfall and there's no need to fertilize this plant.
- Of course, if it's located in the sun, you may need to water it more often.
- It is self-seeding, so if you don't want any unexpected pop-ups, deadheading would definitely help.
- Removing some of the runners periodically can also help keep this ground cover in line.
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Special Feature:

Primary use is as a ground cover.

Use

Medicinal use:

- Bugleweed is used to lower high levels of thyroid hormones (hyperthyroidism).
- It is also used to treat premenstrual syndrome; breast pain; nervousness; trouble sleeping (insomnia); and bleeding, especially nosebleeds and heavy bleeding during menstruation.

Ornamental use:

- The plant is used for ornamental purpose.

Note:

for medicinal use, please consult appropriate doctor / physician before use.

Reference:

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