

PLANTS TO READ ABOUT

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PLANT PORTRAIT

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Botanical name	Geranium 'Tiny Monster'; in the shop Geranium sanguineum
Lifespan	Perennial deciduous garden plant
Expected height	Low, about 20–30 cm; may be taller depending on position
Delivery size	Each plant: 9 cm pot · approximately 10–25 cm
Flowering time	Possible from late spring to early autumn, depending on position
Flower colour	Pink to reddish–purple with darker veins
Planting time	Spring or suitable frost–free autumn
Plant spacing	About 30 cm; approximately twelve plants per m² according to the shop
Position	Sun to partial shade; no permanently wet soil

Care at a glance

Observe, check and adapt care to the position and season. This table provides guidance for everyday practice.

Topic	What to do	Why it helps
Light	Plan for sun to bright partial shade.	An open bed edge offers different conditions from a very dark place beneath dense trees.
Soil	Use moderately fertile, well-drained soil.	The low clump needs a healthy root zone without standing water.
Planting	Moisten the root ball, plant at its previous height and water in.	The young plant needs good contact with surrounding soil.
Spacing	Leave about 30 cm between plant centres as shop guidance.	Later foliage spreads beyond the small nursery pot.
Water	Check newly planted specimens in dry weather and water as needed.	A small root ball dries differently from an established garden planting.
Fertiliser	Feed moderately in spring if there is a genuine need.	More fertiliser replaces neither a suitable position nor careful planting.
Cutting back	Cut back spent stems and unattractive foliage appropriately.	Fresh foliage and further flowers can renew the planting.
Division	Divide healthy larger clumps in spring if needed.	Rooted pieces retain the cultivar and can be planted elsewhere.

Knowledge that grows

Small flowers that change the bed edge

Tiny Monster needs no tall flower stalk to attract attention. Pink to reddish-purple flowers open over a low green clump. Close up, you can see their darker veins and five open petals. Finely divided foliage lets air and light pass between the flowers. I particularly like this loose connection at a terrace edge: the plant remains a perennial and does not look like a rigid edging. At ordering time, however, the picture starts smaller. Set plants arrive in 9 cm pots with a height of approximately 10–25 cm according to the offer, not as a finished closed flowering carpet.

The small monster grows mainly outwards

The name plays on the contrast between low height and a widening planting. Tiny Monster often reaches about 20–30 cm, although cultivation can change that. Deeply divided leaves sit on slender stalks; later growth connects beyond the small pot root ball. The shop calls the cultivar *Geranium sanguineum* Tiny Monster; botanically it is also listed as *Geranium* Tiny Monster. For care, the cultivar matters; for ordering, the specific quantity set and its product number matter. It is a perennial deciduous cranesbill, not an ordinary balcony pelargonium used only as a summer window-box plant.

Plan the edge with the later planting in mind

An area planting becomes more attractive when you first look at the shape of the bed. Should Tiny Monster follow a straight edge, stand beneath loose rose foliage or trail between other low perennials? I would arrange the small pots before planting and view the group from a distance. The shop gives about 30 cm centre to centre, approximately twelve plants per square metre, as guidance. This is a planning aid, not a requirement to fill every spare centimetre densely at once. I also leave neighbouring plants their space. A low clump may later shade the soil, but initially it does not replace careful removal of competing growth.

The first summer depends on the small root ball

At planting, the root ball is moistened and set at its previous height. Afterwards, I water onto the soil and check that it makes good contact. For small delivery plants especially, this beginning matters more than the later easy-care label. The root ball can be dry while the surface beside it still looks fresh. In sun and wind I therefore look more closely. Permanent water in a planting hollow is nevertheless no help. Young roots need soil that offers moisture and releases excess water. A suitable frost-free planting time and a few attentive checks make this difference visible in everyday gardening.

Many flowers do not mean a fixed flowering calendar

Tiny Monster can flower from late spring into early autumn. How dense and how long the display actually is depends on the plant, position and weather. I would therefore describe it as a cranesbill capable of flowering for a long period, without promising a fixed number of open flowers every summer day. If individual stems have finished flowering or the foliage becomes unattractive, the planting can be cut back appropriately. Fresh foliage and more flowers may follow. A quiet phase is also part of the garden picture. It is not automatically a reason to add more fertiliser or keep soaking the soil regardless of its condition.

Look first when something changes

A few older leaves among fresh green growth tell a different story from an entirely drooping clump. I look at the distribution of the change, the soil and the past few days. Has it rained for a long time, or did the planting position dry strongly? Is there a striking marking on the leaves, or are only individual older stems affected? Such observations help before choosing measures. Air between perennials and careful watering onto the soil are good gardening practice. The aim is not to treat the plant constantly. A suitable position and attention to its specific condition usually suggest more useful next steps.

A deciduous clump remains a perennial in winter

When the garden becomes colder, the foliage changes; Tiny Monster is deciduous. The seasonal original shows this young potted plant at different stages. A dormant winter root ball therefore cannot be compared with a flowering summer clump. In spring the base of the plant becomes interesting again: new shoots appear there. Healthy larger plantings can be divided as needed and the rooted pieces replanted. Containers offer more restricted conditions than the garden. If you initially keep a young set plant in a pot, check drainage and root-ball moisture especially carefully rather than equating bed care with pot care.

Pictures and details

Images and descriptions from this portrait. Decorative items are not included in the offer.



Unchanged original image of one young plant from the chosen set.



Original shop overview: deciduous foliage and the dormant winter root ball differ through the year. No promise that every delivery plant develops identically.

Good to know

How tall does Tiny Monster grow?

The cultivar stays low, often about 20–30 cm. Position and cultivation may change its height; delivery height is listed separately.

Is the cultivar perennial?

Yes, a deciduous garden cranesbill. Foliage may retreat during the cold season.

What colour are the flowers?

Pink to reddish–purple, with darker veins. Different light can change the shade slightly.

How much spacing do I need?

About 30 cm between plant centres, or approximately twelve plants per square metre according to shop guidance.

Does it suppress every weed?

A later dense planting can shade the soil. Especially while establishing, competing growth must still be monitored and removed.

Should I cut back after flowering?

Spent stems and unattractive leaves can be cut back. This may encourage fresh growth and further flowers.

Is the garden picture the delivery stage?

No. It shows a later flowering clump. The offers contain young set plants in 9 cm pots, approximately 10–25 cm according to the shop.

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