



## Henry Bockstoce Peony

*Paeonia 'Henry Bockstoce'*

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Spacing: 30 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 3a

### Description:

Huge double blooms are held on strong stems above luxurious green deeply cut foliage; luxurious red blooms that have rounded petals for a soft look; an exceptionally vigorous plant that prefers sun

### Ornamental Features

Henry Bockstoce Peony features bold fragrant red flowers at the ends of the stems from late spring to early summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its compound leaves remain green in colour throughout the season.

### Landscape Attributes

Henry Bockstoce Peony is an herbaceous perennial with a more or less rounded form. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Disease

Henry Bockstoce Peony is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



*Henry Bockstoce Peony flowers*  
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## **Planting & Growing**

Henry Bockstoce Peony will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 30 inches apart. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.