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**Jelly Beans Stonecrop**  
*Sedum pachyphyllum*

Plant Height: 8 inches

Flower Height: 12 inches

Spread: 20 inches

Spacing: 16 inches

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: 9a

Other Names: Jelly Bean Plant, Many Fingers

**Description:**

A freely branching succulent that will spread over time by trailing, rooting stems and fallen leaves; glaucous, silvery-green foliage is often tipped with red; clusters of yellow star-shaped flowers rise up on stalks in summer; great for containers



*Jelly Beans Stonecrop*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

**Ornamental Features**

Jelly Beans Stonecrop has masses of beautiful clusters of yellow star-shaped flowers rising above the foliage from early to late summer, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive small succulent narrow leaves remain bluish-green in color with prominent red tips and tinges of silver throughout the year.

**Landscape Attributes**

Jelly Beans Stonecrop is a dense herbaceous evergreen perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. 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 is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. 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. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Jelly Beans Stonecrop is recommended for the following landscape applications;



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- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

### **Planting & Growing**

Jelly Beans Stonecrop will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity extending to 12 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 20 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 16 inches apart. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 15 years. As an evergreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in poor soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This species is not originally from North America, and parts of it are known to be toxic to humans and animals, so care should be exercised in planting it around children and pets. It can be propagated by division.

Jelly Beans Stonecrop is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.