

PLANT PROFILE

Sempervivum



Common Name: House Leek or Hens and Chicks

Foliage: Evergreen perennial

Habit: Mat forming

Height: 10-50cm (4-8")

Soil type: Sand, Loam, well-drained

Soil Ph Acid, Neutral, Alkaline

Aspect: Dry and sunny

Hardiness: Most varieties are hardy

Flowering Time Summer producing star shaped flowers

Other characteristics: Easy to grow and care for. Sempervivums are monocarpic so once it flowers the rosette will die

Propagation: Sow from seed in spring or remove the off sets from the parent plant in spring

Plant in pots with well drained compost and mixed with 25-50% sand or grit

Cultivation: Protect from excessive winter wet

Pruning: Not required

Pests: Vine Weevil

Disease: Rust

Uses: Ornamental