



# Autumn Joy Sedum

*Hylotelephium spectabile*  
(formerly *Sedum spectabile*)  
'Autumn Joy'

**Plant Description** – non-native,  
herb/wildflower, deciduous, perennial

**Height:** up to 2 ft **Width/Spread:** up to 2 ft



## Leaves

**Shape:** elliptical

**Arrangement:** opposite, whorled

**Margin:** serrate

**Form:** simple

**Leaf Description:** dull green to blue-green leaves up to 3 inches long are fleshy and flat; upper leaves are sessile (attached directly to stem without stalk); grow on fleshy stems

## Flower/Bloom

**Flower Color:** pink, burgundy

**In Bloom:** Aug - Oct

**Flower Shape:** stellate (star-shaped)

**Flower(s) Description:** flower is radially symmetrical with 4-5 petals, ½ inch across, in dense rounded flower heads 3-4 inches across; flower color changes from pink to dark reddish-brown with age



## Fruits & Seeds

**Spreads via:** Seeds

**Seed Type:** Dry seed pod

**Seed Season:** Fall - Winter

**Fruit and Seed Description:** small capsule (a chamber within the fruit) and splits open when ripe

## Ecological Benefits

Food source for Butterflies, Other Pollinators, and Other Birds

## Maintenance Notes

Dormant in winter; prefers average watering (*water two times per week during the summer and once per week during the rest of the year.*)