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*Sedum*

*Crassulaceae*

*Sedum* is derived for some authorities from Latin *sedo* (to soothe, settle, calm, allay, still) with reference to its skin-softening qualities, and for others it is in addition a classical name for various succulent plants. For yet others it is based on Latin *sedeo* (to sit) with reference to some species' habit of holding themselves on rocks or walls.