

Abelia - Plant



Abelia (*Abelia grandiflora*) shrubs are one of those plants that became popular because of interesting foliage, showy flowers, reliable performance and simple abelia care. Learn how to grow abelia in your landscape for these characteristics. Newer cultivars of the glossy abelia plant provide a range of colours and forms.

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Description

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Abelia shrubs, *Abelia grandiflora*, have attractive foliage, which partially accounts for their long time use in the landscape. The evergreen abelia has red foliage throughout the summer, becoming even deeper and more brilliant in autumn through winter.

Flowers offer several bursts of bloom from spring to fall, with clusters of fragrant and frilly pink and white tubular flowers. In colder areas of the country, the glossy abelia plant is considered semi-evergreen, as it may lose half its leaves in cold winters.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
abelia	Lavender - pink	May to September	Height: 3.00 to 5.00 feet Spread: 3.00 to 5.00 feet	Easy

Planting and care

When planting abelia in your yard, choose a prominent spot. Also, choose a spot that gets full to partial sun. The glossy abelia plant grows in a variety of soil types, but responds best to a fertile soil amended with organic material.

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Sun or part shade. Plants grown in shade will have decreased flowering and a more open structure, but will otherwise do just fine.	Slightly acid, moist peaty soil is ideal. Portland has acid soil, so no worries there, but adding compost to the soil when planting will	Water regularly- weekly or more often in extreme heat. Requires less frequent watering, once established.	from 0Å°C to 37Å°C	Feed with a general purpose fertilizer before new growth begins in spring.

help to increase drainage in
primarily clay or sandy soil.

Caring for Abelia

Follow a regular watering schedule during the first growing season to establish a deep, extensive root system. For a tidy, neat appearance, shear annually to shape. Pruning time: winter. Aphids sometimes bother Abelias and they will sometimes develop leaf-spot, but neither is serious.

Typical uses of Abelia

Special features:

Attracts Birds, Deer Resistant, Easy Care, Waterwise

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