

Salvia Splendens Purple - Plant



Spikes of brightly coloured flowers top these 10 to 12 inch tall plants. This series of Salvia is a compact grower that will hold colour all summer long.

They are a great addition in the landscape as a border or mass planting.

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Description

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It is a good nectar plant for hummingbirds, butterflies and bees, and birds eat the seeds of some species.

Some varieties, such as culinary sage, are edible to humans as well.

Each species may have slightly different requirements, but basic good care will go a long way to keeping your salvia healthy and beautiful.

Bi colours are also available, with red, rose or salmon coloured flowers with white tips.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
Scarlet sage, tropical sage	The plant carry purple.	Late Spring/Early Summer, Mid Summer, Late Summer.	1 to 2 feet	Easy to grow.

Planting and care

Plant in average or enriched soil and fertilize as needed.

Over a long season, flowers will drop, leaving a ragged spike. When this happens, cut the plant back. New growth emerges refreshed.

Snails and slugs find salvia to be a delicious treat, especially in moist conditions and when the plants are mulched.

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
In cooler climates, plant in full sun. In areas with very hot summers, partial shade, especially in the afternoon, reduces stress.	Well drained soil, warm soil.	Larger varieties with deeper roots need less water than dwarf varieties.	15 and above	Plant in average or enriched soil and fertilize as needed

Caring for Salvia Splendens Purple

- Most salvia like lots of sun, although a few species tolerate very light shade.
- If your garden does not have adequate drainage, mix stones, gravel or lava rock into the bottom of the hole when you plant your salvia.
- Using a trowel, dig a hole as deep and twice as wide as the pot the salvia transplant is in.
- Loosen the roots of the salvia, spread them out in the hole, and backfill with soil mixed with compost.
- Be sure to water the young plants regularly until they are fully grown so that they don't dry out.
- Prune the heavier, woody stems every spring.

Typical uses of Salvia Splendens Purple

Special features: Salvias are prolific and durable bloomers. They are not bothered by pests.

Ornamental use: There are many fine ornamental perennials in this genus and several bedding plants used as annuals.

Medicinal use: Sage is an excellent natural disinfectant and deodorizer, drying perspiration and helping to eliminate body odor. Extracts of sage are used in personal skin care for its capacity to heal the skin as well. Sage is a well-regarded herb for women and can be especially helpful for relieving the hot flashes of menopause, and slowing heavy menstrual bleeding.

References