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Mary Fuchsia Fuchsia 'Mary'

Height: 24 inches Spread: 24 inches Sunlight: •

Hardiness Zone: 9a

# **Description:**

A sweet fuchsia variety featuring clusters of crimson nodding flowers that contrast the mass of dark green foliage; very attractive to hummingbirds; a dense self supporting erect shrub

### **Ornamental Features**

Mary Fuchsia features showy nodding crimson trumpet-shaped flowers along the branches from early summer to mid fall. It has attractive dark green foliage with red veins. The pointy leaves are highly ornamental and remain dark green throughout the winter.



Mary Fuchsia flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### Landscape Attributes

Mary Fuchsia is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting hummingbirds to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Mary Fuchsia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

# **Planting & Growing**

Mary Fuchsia will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

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This shrub does best in partial shade to shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Mary Fuchsia makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.