Mrs. W.P. Wood Fuchsia

Fuchsia 'Mrs. W.P. Wood'



Mrs. W.P. Wood Fuchsia flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

A pretty fuchsia variety featuring dainty pink and white nodding flowers that contrast the small green foliage; very attractive to hummingbirds; tends to be more cold hardy than the species; resistant to mites

Ornamental Features

Mrs. W.P. Wood Fuchsia features dainty nodding shell pink trumpet-shaped flowers with white overtones along the branches from mid summer to mid fall. Its small pointy leaves remain green in colour throughout the year.

Landscape Attributes

Mrs. W.P. Wood Fuchsia is a dense multi-stemmed annual with a more or less rounded form. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, 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

Mrs. W.P. Wood Fuchsia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Mrs. W.P. Wood Fuchsia will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. Although it's not a true annual, this plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. You may want to keep it away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Mrs. W.P. Wood Fuchsia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used 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 growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.