

Plant Name: *Aquilegia × hybrida mckana*
Common Name: Granny's bonnet

Plant Type: Herbaceous Perennial
Colour: pink, red, yellow, pale-blue,
Height: 1m
Spread: 0.5m

Flowering Time: Flowers from Mar to Jun



Species Data (applies to all plants in this Plant Species)

No Species data defined for this species

Plant Data (applies to THIS plant only)

Large mounds of beautiful flowers are borne on these tall, elegant plants. Pretty fairy-like flowers dance on the breeze as these brightly coloured blooms appear in quick succession in the late spring and early summer.

Hardy Perennial

Flowers: Late spring to early summer

Height: 75-90cm

Position: Semi-shade

Botanical Name: *Aquilegia* 'McKana Hybrid'

Other names: Granny's bonnet 'McKana Hybrid', Grannies bonnet 'McKana Hybrid'

Genus: *Aquilegia*

Variety or Cultivar: 'McKana Hybrid' ~ 'McKana Hybrid' is an upright herbaceous perennial, with nodding spring flowers in shades of pink, red, yellow, pale-blue, purple and white.

Cultivation: Plant in fertile, moist but well-drained soil. Will grow in full sun or partial shade.

Suggested uses: Cottage/Informal, Flower Arranging, Beds and borders, Low Maintenance

Soil types: Chalky, Clay, Loamy, Sandy (will tolerate most soil types)

Soil drainage: Moist but well-drained, Well-drained

Soil pH: Acid, Alkaline, Neutral

Light: Partial Shade, Full Sun

Aspect: North, South, East, West

Exposure: Exposed or Sheltered

Hardiness: Hardy (H4)

Specific pest(s): Aphids, Caterpillars, Leaf-mining sawflies

Specific diseases(s): Powdery mildew

Pruning: Cut back foliage affected by fungal diseases

Propagation method(s): Division, Seed

Skill rating: Beginner

Maintenance hours / year: 2

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Aquilegia 'McKana Hybrid' is:Deciduous
Flower:Pink, Purple, Red, Wine, Pale-blue, Yellow in Spring;
White, Pale-blue, Yellow, Pink, Purple, Red in Summer
Foliage:Dark-green in Summer
Habit:Clump-forming, Upright
Ultimate height (m):1
Ultimate spread (m):0.5
Time to maturity:2-5 years
Toxicity: Eating may cause stomach irritation

Description

Attractive free-flowering, long spurred mixture in a wide range of vibrant coloured blooms on strong stems, ideal for cutting. Outstanding garden performance.

Sowing Instructions

Sow spring to mid summer in a good seed compost just covering the seed with compost. Germination can take from 1-3 months at 15-21C (60-70F), to speed this up seal in a polythene bag after sowing and leave in a refrigerator (3-5 C) for 3 weeks then place in warmth (15-21 C). Inspect regularly and remove if any start to germinate in the fridge.

Aftercare

Plant in moist well drained soil, sun or part shade. Seed sown early will often produce flowers the same season.