

Plant Type: Perennial
Colour: Purple
Height: 120cm
Spread: 30cm

Flowering Time: Flowers from Jul to Sep

Cutflower: Yes



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

Blooms: Summer to Early Autumn
Flower Colour: Purple
Sun-Shade: Mostly Sunny to Full Shade
Accent Color: Purple
Soil Condition: Normal, Clay
Plant Height: Medium

Found in list(s): Good for Cut Flowers
Plants that attract Hummingbirds
Long Blooming 4 weeks or more
Plants that tolerate a Clay soil
Wet Tolerant
Plants that attract Butterflies

A lovely striking lobelia with vibrant purple flowers on tall spikes.
Dark glossy green leaves with a maroon tint form an attractive clump below bright purple coloured flowers in spring/summer.

Requires a constant moist soil for best flowering.
A beautiful contrast of foliage and flower.
The new growth is delightful.

Aspect: An open full sun position.
Soil: A moisture retentive soil, rich in compost.

Flowers: Spring to Summer
Tolerances: Frost & cold, Coastal, Wind Pollution

Pest & Disease free. We have not found any major problems with lobelias.

You may find snails are attracted to the foliage early in spring.
Propagation: division in early spring or after flowering.

Plant Data (applies to THIS plant only)

LOBELIA Vedrariensis : Cardinal Flower
L. Vedrariensis (gerardii) Medium to Tall - Plant 12" apart. Tall, narrow spikes of bright purple, July to September. Adaptable to almost any situation.

General Information

Spikes of colorful hood-like flowers on stately spikes in late summer and fall. Likes moist soil. Will naturalize along ditches and streams. Butterflies and hummingbirds like them too. Prefers a moist soil, good cut flower

Cultivation Notes:

With tall spikes of the most vivid pink, red and purple, lobelias certainly stand out in the garden. The flat rosettes of glassy green/purple leaves provide the perfect platform from which the tall spikes of colourful flowers emerge. Each stem is made up of numerous smaller flowers, wrapping around the stem. Grown in the general garden or used in the bog garden lobelias are extremely versatile.

Aspect & Hardiness: Will tolerate a full sun position if given ample moisture, and will tolerate a drier location in partial shade.

Watering: Keep moist for best flowering, allowing to become drier during winter.

Feeding: Moderate feeding is recommended in early spring with an organic slow release fertiliser.

Pruning: Remove old flower heads as they finish. Tidy the old ratty foliage by removing in winter. The flowers last well in a vase.

Plant Name: Lobelia vedrariensis

Common Name: Cardinal Flower

They are easily divided and cultivated.

Planting Companions: Persicaria, Eupatoriums, Heleniums & Gaura