

Botanical Name: Rehmannia elata

Common Name: Chinese foxglove

Type of Plant: dicot: perennial Family Gesneriaceae

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape clumping, loosely constructed plant with coarse foliage
and spikes of tubular flowers held between leaves and bracts

Height to 3 ft. Spread to 2 ft. Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors partial shade to full sun in coastal climates

Soil prefers a well-amended loam soil

Hardiness Hardy, Zones 6, 7-10, 12-24

Morphology:

Leaves Coarsely toothed ovate leaves to 6" long or more, to 4" across
smaller modified leaves (bracts) interspersed with flower spikes

Flowers large tubular flowers to 3" long; flowers pink with yellow
throat and red dots within forming loose spikes

Fruit 2-valved capsule

Propagation: seed, stem cuttings, division, root cuttings

Usage: good perennial for use in borders or beds mixed with annual
flowers; can be used toward the back of a bed; long lasting cut flower;
appreciated for long blooming season

Landscape Care:

Watering needs regular watering

Fertilizing balanced, slow-release fertilizer in spring

Pruning head back to induce bushiness and compactness

Pests/Diseases none

Other _____

Origin: China