

Botanical Name: Pelargonium crispum (P. limoneum)

Common Name: Lemon Scented Geranium

Type of Plant: dicot: perennial Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape erect to somewhat sprawling with ascending-spreading,
fleshy stems forming a loose, open, mounding habit

Height 2' - 4' Spread equal + Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full/partial sun

Soil prefers well draining soil

Hardiness some frost; best in mild climates (zones 8,9,12-14,17-24)

Morphology:

Leaves palmate, alternate, somewhat incised into 3-5 lobes, green
blades having a distinctly lemon odor, 2-3" across, 2-4" long petiole

Flowers pink-lilac, 1/2" across, pedicels joined at base into
head-like rounded cyme; nearly year round

Fruit tiny capsule

Propagation: softwood/semi-hardwood cuttings

Usage: low facer or informal border, container plant for its
distinctive aromatic foliage

Landscape Care:

Watering occasional deep soak after established, avoid excessive
water

Fertilizing balanced, 2-3 times a year; more if container grown

Pruning pinch back frequently to develop a bushier form

Pests/Diseases snails/slugs, tomato budworm

Special Conditions

Origin: S. Africa Family: Geraniaceae