

Botanical Name: Viola cornuta

Common Name: Viola

Type of Plant: dicot: annual Character annual/perennial

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape dense, compact, multi-branched plant, flowers smaller and
more numerous than pansy

Height 6-8" Spread 6-8" Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoor full sun to partial shade

Soil prefers a rich, well-drained soil -- add organic matter

Hardiness hardy, all zones

Morphology:

Leaves ovate to spatulate to 2" long, stipules large, triangular
margins crenate, arranged oppositely on stems

Flowers resemble pansy -- but usually smaller, with small spur
projecting backward, flowers often solid colored

Fruit small capsule -- splits into 3 valves

Propagation: seed; sow in fall for winter bloom

Usage: good for beds, mass plantings, containers hanging baskets,
bulb cover and in rock gardens; somewhat more durable than pansy; can be
each spring (early June) to give fall bloom after weather cools

Landscape Care:

Watering needs regular watering -- increase with warming weather

Fertilizing feed every 2-3 weeks with a low nitrogen fertilizer

Pruning pinch off spent blooms, remove foliage to prolong bloom

Pests/Diseases aphids, spider mites, rust

Special Conditions

Origin: Spain/Port. Family: Violaceae