

Botanical Name: Petunia hybrida

Common Name: Petunia

Type of Plant: dicot: annual Character warm season annual

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape spawling, multi-branched plants with soft brittle branches and leaves; plants typically have a long blooming season from April through October with regular pinching

Height 18" to 2' Spread 2 to 3' Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoor full sun to partial shade

Soil prepares a soil with good drainage

Hardiness tender

Morphology:

Leaves elliptic to ovate 2-3" long, alternate tomentose on upper and lower surfaces

Flowers highly variable singles and doubles pink, red, purple, white, striped and solid 3-5" across

Fruit small capsule

Propagation: seed

Usage: warm sunny beds, hanging baskets, color pots window boxes, borders, very popular for summer color

Landscape Care:

Watering needs ample watering

Fertilizing feed 2x monthly with low nitrogen fertilizer

Pruning pinch back occasionally to force side growth

Pests/Diseases tobacco budworm, snails and slugs

Special Conditions multi-flora varieties bloom longer into hot season

Origin: complex hybrid from Medit. Family: Solanaceae