

Botanical Name: Fuchsia hybrida

Common Name: Fuchsia

Type of Plant: dicot; shrub Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape semi-woody shrub grown for striking bell-like, colorful  
flowers; some varieties weeping, tumbling or trailing, others tall, upright  
and shrubby

Height 10" to 10' Spread 2' - 6' Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoors partial shade

Soil prefers a rich, well-drained peat-based soil

Hardiness some frost (zones 4-6, 15-17, 22-24); prefers mild coastal  
conditions

Morphology:

Leaves ovate-lanceolate, opposite, to 2" long; some varieties  
toothed on margins

Flowers pendulous, fleshy flowers in pink, white, red, purple  
sepals and petals showy - often contrasting - pistil and stamens prominent

Fruit berry - purple, 3/4" - 1" long

Propagation: softwood cuttings, hybridized from seed

Usage: hanging baskets, container plants, shaded espaliers; used  
for spring or summer flower color; larger, hardier varieties thrive in the  
ground

Landscape Care:

Watering need frequent watering (daily or more in hot weather)

Fertilizing balanced half-strength, weekly during warm season

Pruning head back to edge of pot, remove woody/twiggy growth  
February or March

Pests/Diseases whitefly, aphids, spider mites, fuchsia gall mite

Special Conditions fuchsia gall mite is a serious problem for many varieties

Origin: hybrids Family: Onagraceae