

Freda Clematis



Freda Clematis *Clematis 'Freda'*

Height: 20 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○ ●

Hardiness Zone: 7b

Other Names: Freda Anemone Clematis

Group/Class: Montana Hybrid



Freda Clematis flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Description:

A very dainty-looking flowering vine, featuring pretty dogwood-like deep pink flowers; breathtaking on an arbor or other framework

Ornamental Features

Freda Clematis is covered in stunning lightly-scented rose star-shaped flowers with pink overtones and white centers at the ends of the branches from late spring to early summer. It has dark green foliage with hints of coppery-bronze which emerges coppery-bronze in spring. The serrated compound leaves do not develop any appreciable fall colour.

Landscape Attributes

Freda Clematis is a multi-stemmed deciduous woody vine with a twining and trailing habit of growth. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance woody vine. It is a Type 1 clematis, meaning that it flowers on old wood of the previous season; other than trimming off obvious dieback in spring, it should only be pruned where necessary immediately after flowering. It is a good choice for attracting bees and hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Freda Clematis is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Freda Clematis will grow to be about 20 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. As a climbing vine, it tends to be leggy near the base and should be underplanted with low-growing facer plants. It should be planted near a fence, trellis or other landscape structure where it can be trained to grow upwards on it, or allowed to trail off a retaining wall or slope. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

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This woody vine does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in both summer and winter to conserve soil moisture and protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.