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## Bella Fuchsia Sophia Fuchsia



### Bella Fuchsia® Sophia Fuchsia *Fuchsia 'Bella Fuchsia Sophia'*

Height: 16 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Sunlight: ○ ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Bella Fuchsia Series

#### Description:

An innovative fuchsia series bred for containers and hanging baskets, featuring outward facing flowers of creamy white, with shell pink sepals and red anthers; very attractive to hummingbirds; perfect for patio pots in sun or shade

#### Ornamental Features

Bella Fuchsia Sophia Fuchsia features dainty nodding creamy white bell-shaped flowers with shell pink overtones and red anthers along the branches from late spring to mid fall. Its pointy leaves remain green in colour throughout the year.

#### Landscape Attributes

Bella Fuchsia Sophia Fuchsia is a dense multi-stemmed annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting hummingbirds to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Bella Fuchsia Sophia Fuchsia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



*Bella Fuchsia Sophia Fuchsia flowers*  
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*Bella Fuchsia Sophia Fuchsia in bloom*  
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### Planting & Growing

Bella Fuchsia Sophia Fuchsia will grow to be about 16 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. Although it's not a true annual, this plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. You may want to keep it away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Bella Fuchsia Sophia Fuchsia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.