

# Lakeshore Garden Centres

## Flordenia Chocolate Mandevilla

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### Flordenia Chocolate Mandevilla

*Mandevilla 'Flordenia Chocolate'*

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○ ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Dipladenia, Dipladenia Flordenia

Group/Class: Flordenia Collection

#### Description:

Early blooming with some cold tolerance; A lovely bushy variety featuring deep maroon colored blooms over lush, glossy deep green foliage; pinch to encourage branching and to maintain bushy habit; an excellent choice for garden beds or patio containers

#### Planting & Growing

This plant is native to the tropics and prefers growing in moist environments with evenly warm conditions all year round. In our climate, it is usually grown as an outdoor annual in the garden or in a container. If you want it to survive the winter, it can be brought in to the house and provided with special care, and then returned to the garden the following season. In its preferred tropical habitat, it can grow to be around 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. However, when grown as an annual or when overwintered indoors, it can be expected to perform differently, and its exact height and spread will depend on many factors; you may wish to consult with our experts as to how it might perform in your specific application and growing conditions.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid, and parts of it are known to be toxic to humans and animals, so care should be exercised in planting it around children and pets. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.



*Flordenia Chocolate Mandevilla*  
flowers

Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



*Flordenia Chocolate Mandevilla*  
in bloom

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Flordenia Chocolate Mandevilla is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.

*-- THIS IS A TROPICAL PLANT AND SHOULD NOT BE EXPECTED TO SURVIVE THE WINTER OUTDOORS IN OUR CLIMATE --*