# **Stonegate Gardens**

## **Pretty In Pink Hebe**

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Pretty In Pink Hebe Hebe 'Pretty In Pink'

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 7b

Other Names: Shrubby Veronica

Group/Class: Hollywood Series

#### **Description:**

A lovely mounded evergreen shrub, featuring burgundy tipped new leaves that turn completely burgundy in winter; a profusion of pretty pink flowers in summer; adaptable and low maintenance; will tolerate some mild frost, but should be sheltered

### **Ornamental Features**

Pretty In Pink Hebe has masses of beautiful clusters of pink flowers at the ends of the branches from early to late summer, which are most effective when planted in groupings. It has attractive dark green evergreen foliage which emerges burgundy in spring. The glossy pointy leaves are highly ornamental and turn burgundy in the fall, which persists throughout the winter. The burgundy stems can be quite attractive.

#### Landscape Attributes

Pretty In Pink Hebe is an open multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting birds, bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Pretty In Pink Hebe is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting



Pretty In Pink Hebe flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Pretty In Pink Hebe foliage Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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### **Planting & Growing**

Pretty In Pink Hebe will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It has a low canopy. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This shrub 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, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Pretty In Pink Hebe makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.

This plant is not reliably hardy in our region, and certain restrictions may apply; contact the store for more information.