# **Lakeshore Garden Centres**

## Gibb's Hebe

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# Gibb's Hebe Hebe gibbsii

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: 

Hardiness Zone: 8a

Other Names: Shrubby Veronica

### **Description:**

A handsome alpine variety with gray leaves that have unusual soft hairs covering them; white flowers in summer; great small scale groundcover; will tolerate some mild frost, and should be sheltered



Gibb's Hebe foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Gibb's Hebe has masses of beautiful corymbs of white flowers rising above the foliage from early to mid summer, which are most effective when planted in groupings. It has attractive grayish green foliage edged in pink. The fuzzy oval leaves are highly ornamental and remain grayish green throughout the winter.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Gibb's Hebe is an open multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading 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 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.

Gibb's Hebe is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

#### **Planting & Growing**

Gibb's Hebe will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It has a low canopy. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

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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 species is not originally from North America.

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