

# Lakeshore Garden Centres

## Calliope Large Magenta Geranium

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### Calliope® Large Magenta Geranium *Pelargonium 'Calliope Large Magenta'*

Height: 20 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 16 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Calliope Series



*Calliope Large Magenta Geranium flowers*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### Description:

A stunning large and vigorous variety presenting intense magenta colored blooms over medium to dark green foliage; upright mounded habit, great for landscapes, patio containers and hanging baskets; excellent heat tolerance

#### Ornamental Features

Calliope Large Magenta Geranium features bold balls of lightly-scented semi-double fuchsia flowers with hot pink overtones at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its tomentose round palmate leaves remain light green in colour with distinctive dark green veins throughout the year.

#### Landscape Attributes

Calliope Large Magenta Geranium is an herbaceous 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 plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Calliope Large Magenta Geranium is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

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### Planting & Growing

Calliope Large Magenta Geranium will grow to be about 16 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 16 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing 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. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. 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. 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.

Calliope Large Magenta Geranium is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.