



## Electric Lights Fuchsia

*Fuchsia 'Electric Lights'*

Height: 30 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ●

Hardiness Zone: 9a

Group/Class: Sun Kisses Series

### Description:

A striking fuchsia variety featuring nodding flowers of electric pink and dark purple against the green foliage; very attractive to hummingbirds; a dense self supporting round shrub that is a perfect color accent in the garden or containers

### Ornamental Features

Electric Lights Fuchsia features dainty nodding hot pink trumpet-shaped flowers with deep purple throats and white anthers along the branches from early summer to mid fall. It has attractive grayish green evergreen foliage. The pointy leaves are highly ornamental and remain grayish green throughout the winter.

### Landscape Attributes

Electric Lights Fuchsia is a dense 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 hummingbirds to your yard.

Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Electric Lights Fuchsia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



*Electric Lights Fuchsia flowers*  
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## **Planting & Growing**

Electric Lights Fuchsia will grow to be about 30 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 20 years.

This shrub does best in a location that gets morning sunlight but is shaded from the hot afternoon sun, although it will also grow in partial shade. 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 may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. 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.

Electric Lights Fuchsia makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. 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. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. 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.