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### **A Bit Of Red Fuchsia**

***Fuchsia 'A Bit Of Red'***

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

#### **Description:**

A striking fuchsia variety featuring nodding flowers of rose-red with plum centers, against the green foliage; very attractive to hummingbirds; a dense self supporting round shrub that has shown to be resistant to mites

#### **Ornamental Features**

A Bit Of Red Fuchsia features dainty nodding rose bell-shaped flowers with red overtones, plum purple eyes and white anthers along the branches from early summer to mid fall. Its attractive pointy leaves remain green in color throughout the year.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

A Bit Of Red Fuchsia is a dense multi-stemmed 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 is a relatively low maintenance plant, 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

A Bit Of Red Fuchsia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

#### **Planting & Growing**

A Bit Of Red Fuchsia will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. Although it's not a true annual, this 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.



*A Bit Of Red Fuchsia flowers*  
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This plant 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.

A Bit Of Red Fuchsia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting 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 growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.

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