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### **Bella Fuchsia® Vera Fuchsia**

*Fuchsia 'Bella Fuchsia Vera'*

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Sunlight: ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Bella Fuchsia Series

#### **Description:**

An innovative fuchsia series bred for containers and hanging baskets, featuring outward facing flowers of dark violet, with deep scarlet sepals and anthers; very attractive to hummingbirds; perfect for patio pots in sun or shade

#### **Ornamental Features**

Bella Fuchsia Vera Fuchsia features dainty nodding violet bell-shaped flowers with scarlet overtones and red anthers along the branches from late spring to mid fall, which emerge from distinctive cherry red flower buds. Its pointy leaves remain green in color throughout the year. The brick red stems can be quite attractive.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Bella Fuchsia Vera Fuchsia is a dense multi-stemmed annual with a more or less rounded form. 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

Bella Fuchsia Vera Fuchsia is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Bella Fuchsia Vera Fuchsia flowers*  
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- Accent
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

### **Planting & Growing**

Bella Fuchsia Vera Fuchsia will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 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.

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.

Bella Fuchsia Vera 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 against which the 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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