

Syringa vulgaris

Common lilac



Syringa vulgaris 2.5-3.0m multistem CG

Syringa vulgaris, better known as the common lilac, is a small, runner forming shrub, growing to approximately 5 metres in height.

It has fresh green, heart shaped leaves that turn brown before dropping in autumn. There are currently 12 recognised species of the lilac, cultivated for their beautiful colours and hardiness.

The colour of the flower is determined by the variety. In spring time, beautiful pendulums of flowers bloom, creating a display of stunning blossom and releasing a fragrant scent, attracting bees and butterflies.

It is an extremely tolerant plant which makes an excellent hedge or wind barrier. Some would class the common lilac as an aggressive species as it produces secondary shoots from the base. This can be controlled by regular pruning of unwanted growth.

Best grown on alkaline to neutral soil.

Plant Profile

Name: *Syringa vulgaris*

Common Name: Common lilac

Family: Oleaceae

Height: 6.0-8.0m

Width: 4.0-6.0m

Demands: Full sun

Soil: Fertile, free draining. Best grown on Alkaline to neutral soil.

Foliage: Green heart shaped leaves

Flowers: Fragrant pendulums of flowers bloom in spring.



Syringa vulgaris Flower



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Syringa vulgaris are typically monoecious, meaning they hold both female and male flowers on one plant.

This means you only need one plant for flower so be produced. However, placing in the right position is key. It must have full sun or partial shade to blossom.



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2.5-3.0m Umbrella CG



Syringa vulgaris Sensation



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Syringa vulgaris Primrose



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