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# Pink Spanish Bluebell Hyacinthoides hispanica 'Pink'

Plant Height: 6 inches Flower Height: 12 inches

Spread: 6 inches Spacing: 5 inches Sunlight: 0 0

Hardiness Zone: 3b

Other Names: Wood Hyacinth

## **Description:**

This spring-blooming variety is a fantastic garden choice for its grassy foliage and substantial bells in tones of pink that rise above the leaves on stalks; will slowly naturalize in the garden, tends to go dormant over the summer



Pink Spanish Bluebell in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

## **Ornamental Features**

Pink Spanish Bluebell features dainty spikes of pink bell-shaped flowers with violet overtones rising above the foliage in early spring. Its small grassy leaves remain green in colour throughout the season.

## **Landscape Attributes**

Pink Spanish Bluebell is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and usually looks its best without pruning, although it will tolerate pruning. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Pink Spanish Bluebell is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting



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#### **Planting & Growing**

Pink Spanish Bluebell will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 12 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 6 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 5 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen! As this plant tends to go dormant in summer, it is best interplanted with late-season bloomers to hide the dying foliage.

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. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Pink Spanish Bluebell 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 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. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.