

Pink Turtlehead Botanical Name: *Chelone lyonii*



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Description:

Turtleheads are native wildflowers that adapt beautifully to garden conditions. Plants form an upright, bushy mound of dark green foliage, bearing upright stems of large hooded flowers beginning in late summer. Best in a moist or wet site, this also adapts well to average border conditions. Excellent for cutting. Showy and long lived.

Family: Scrophulariaceae

Growth Rate: Medium

Soil Preference: Tolerates clay Zone 3 to 8

Light Requirements: Full sun (consistently moist soil; do not let dry out between waterings), partial to full shade with reduced water requirements

Pests and diseases:

Care: .Easy

Blooms: large blooms, resemble turtle heads, hence the name in late summer to mid fall

Size: 2-3 feet high, 1.5-2 feet wide

Native habitat: native to North America.

Wildlife: Attracts Butterflies and bees.

Propagation Methods: By dividing the rootball, from softwood cuttings or from seed (stratify). Self-sows freely

Information compiled from the web, supplemented by our experiences.

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