

Clematis



Do's

- Plant their roots in the shade and the top in the sun for best results
- Trim back Spring flowering varieties after they flower to keep them in line
- Position them so the top growth gets at least 6 hours of sun for best results
- Plant dwarf shrubs or perennials around the base to shade the roots
- Fix a trellis or wires for support
- Pick the right sized variety for your space they come in all shapes and sizes
- Plant them 4 inches deeper than they have been in the pot

Don'ts

- Plant them in pots as the roots can't keep themselves cool enough and there also isn't the depth to keep them happy
- Let them dry out, they love water
- Prune them without following the basic principle of "if it flowers before June, no need to prune" Summer flowering varieties get pruned back hard in March
- Forget to apply a fertiliser helping encourage profuse flowering, Vitax Q4 is fine in Spring or use Clematis feed
- Plant C. montana varieties in confined spaces they like to have space to grow

"Every flower grows through dirt"

Different Types



C. MONTANA

A group of vigorous early flowering varieties with green or darker coloured leaves. Great for covering larger walls and trim back after flowering to tidy up.



C. ALPINA

Early flowering along with *C. macropetala* varieties. Blue, Pink or white available followed by fluffy seed-heads during early Summer. Trim after flowering



C. VITICELLA

Flowering during the Summer and Autumn these bear many blooms of white, pink, purple, red or black flowers. Prune hard in March as they regrow again from the base



C. ORIENTALIS

Late flowering towards the end of the Summer with many golden yellow flowers followed by fluffy seed-heads. Prune hard to 8 inches in March



EVERGREEN

C. armandii is one of first to flower with masses of highly scented flowers above evergreen foliage. Trim back after flowering and feed to encourage strong flowering. Other smaller evergreen varieties available



EARLY LARGE FLOWERED

There's no pruning required at the start of the year but you can trim and tidy after flowering. Sometimes they are susceptible to Clematis wilt so mix bark into the soil which creates bacteria to help prevent this



LATE LARGE FLOWERED

These need pruning back to 8 inches in March to encourage strong new bushy growth from the base. Available in a range of colours and great for more compact spaces. Pruning also helps keep plants compact and tidy



HERBACEOUS

Easy to grow but not often seen. Plant amongst other herbaceous plants and they will produce strong stems bearing small highly scented dark or light blue and also white flowers. Plant in full sun for best results

Wires & Fixings Available
IN THE POTTING SHED