

Wisterias



Do's

- Always choose plants which are grafted, otherwise they will be straight species which won't freely flower
- Grow them in a spacious position
- Choose a south or west facing aspect
- Spur prune twice per year in Jan/Feb and July/August to encourage compact growth and more flowers
- Try growing as a freestanding tree, simply train a climbing plant to a single stem and stake it until it holds itself
- Feed annually in Spring with Vitax Q4 to encourage lots of flowers

Don'ts

- Throw out old out of shape plants as they can be hard pruned in late February to 3 foot and they will regrow
- Plant in shade as they won't flower to their full potential
- Plant in small pots, lots of soil is required to keep them happy in the long run
- Forget to use good strong fixings for your wires or fixing eyes
- Let them dry out before they establish, water well in the first year
- Plant them near to other climbing plants as they like their own space

"The earth has music for those who listen"

Top Varieties



ALBA

A beautiful alternative to the normal colour with masses of pure white flowers. Award winning variety with a lovely fragrance aswell



BLACK DRAGON

The deepest blue/Purple variety with masses of flowers. A striking contrast against light stone walls with medium sized flowers



MACROBOTRYS

This variety has the longest racemes of flowers in May/June. Masses of mid blue flowers held amongst fresh foliage. Great for covering larger walls and pergolas



ROSEA

A beautiful pink variety with long racemes of pea-like flowers. Excellent fragrance and quite different to other varieties with its unusual colour.

How to Succeed



CHOOSE

Choose your variety based on your colour preference. Wisterias make eye catching specimens in time and are worth the space they take up, they mature beautifully



PLANT

Dig the hole as deep as possible and mix in organic matter to help retain nutrients and allow the roots to breathe. If in a pot use John Innes No.3 and choose as larger pot as possible. Water well



SUPPORT

Fix wires horizontally to the wall every 40cm and also fit turn buckle tensioners at the ends of the wires allowing time to keep them tight and neat. You could also try training and growing one as a free standing tree.....



MAINTAIN

Prune back long growth after flowering by 2/3 in July/August and then prune shoots back again by half in late winter to tidy up before flowering. Feed in March and repeat annually



Wisterias Available at Holden Clough