

# Ryerson GARDENGALLERY®



## Luna™ Pink Swirl Hibiscus *Hibiscus moscheutos* 'Luna Pink Swirl'

Plant Height: 24 inches

Flower Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Spacing: 30 inches

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Other Names: Rose Mallow, Hardy Hibiscus

Group/Class: Luna Series

### Description:

A compact, well-branched and shrubby variety that features showy, dinner-plate size, ruffled, white and pink swirl pattern flowers with maroon eye; attractive glossy leaves; ideal for the mixed garden border; do not allow to dry to wilting point

### Ornamental Features

Luna Pink Swirl Hibiscus features bold pink round flowers with white overtones and burgundy eyes at the ends of the stems from mid summer to early fall. Its large glossy oval leaves remain dark green in colour throughout the season.

### Landscape Attributes

Luna Pink Swirl Hibiscus is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects
- Self-Seeding



*Luna Pink Swirl Hibiscus flowers*  
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Luna Pink Swirl Hibiscus is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens

### **Planting & Growing**

Luna Pink Swirl Hibiscus will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity extending to 3 feet tall with the flowers, with a spread of 3 feet. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 30 inches apart. It grows at a fast 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!

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth, but will die in standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.