

Brandy Punch Hardy Hibiscus



These glorious plants with impressive large flowers make showy accents. In fact, the Hibiscus produces the largest flowers of any perennial! One of Allan Armitage's favorite Hibiscus varieties in the 2011 University of Georgia trials.

Hibiscus x x moscheutos 'Peppermint Schnapps'

- **Use:** Forms bushy upright mounds of maple-shaped leaves. Huge saucer-shaped flowers appear in mid summer and continue until frost.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Needs rich soils, consistent moisture and full sun. Also does well in clay soils. Good air circulation may help to prevent disease. Cut back stems to about 3-4" in Autumn.
- **Growth:** It has a plant height of 3-4' and a spread of 3'. Old stems should be pruned to the ground in spring.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 4/5-9 Perennial. Mulch during winter to protect roots from frost and prune in early spring for bushier growth.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Fascinating foliage: big, bold leaves are bronze, with green and purple accents and deeply incised "maple leaf" edge.
- **Flower:** Large 8- to 10-inch (20 to 25 cm), round, pink flowers with deep red throat and hot pink veining do not require vernalization for flowering.