

Clematis Jackmanii Superba



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- **Use:** "Queen of the climbers." Clematis are prized for their incredible flowers, most as large as your hand. Will train onto trellises, fences, or arch over doorways. Stunning when used alone or when several colors are mixed. An old favorite which was introduced in England in the mid-1800s. The classic Clematis beloved by gardeners for nearly 150 years, It blooms so heavily all summer that you should abandon all hope of viewing the foliage! One of the loveliest climbers of all time, it will remain a beloved favorite as long as gardeners treasure profuse, rich color!
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun–shade (not deep shade); Water regularly, when top 3" of soil is dry. Prefers to have its roots shaded and its flowers in the sun. Use slow release fertilizer twice a year. Once established needs only occasional water.
- **Growth:** Height 12-20 feet. Pruning Group (C) These varieties bloom only on the current year's growth. Blooms commence in early summer and continue through to fall. Plants should be cut back in late February or March to two strong sets of buds on each stem as close to ground level as possible. This will provide a plant with blooms that start near ground level and continue to the top of the plant. The majority of the group C clematis start their new growth very close to where last season's growth ended; so if left unpruned they will very quickly grow out of control. If you want to grow a group C clematis through a tree or have it bloom in an area above its normal blooming height, this characteristic can be used to your advantage.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 3-9; Perennial, Vine
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Delicate green foliage grows quickly.
- **Flowers:** Similar to the more popular Jackmanii, but with a smaller flower, improved branching and excellent disease resistance. 4-6" (10-14cm) flowers from mid June through September.

The most popular of the clematis vines. Showy, deep violet-purple flowers are slightly broader than those of C. 'Jackmanii' and will cover this climbing vine throughout most of the summer. An excellent vine for adding vertical interest to the landscape on a fence or trellis, or along rock walls.

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