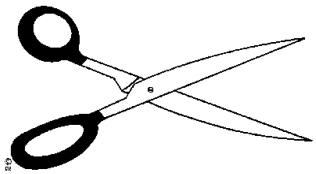


# Crème de Cassis Hollyhocks



## *Alcea rosea* 'Crème de Cassis'

- **Use:** Hollyhocks have been grown in gardens for centuries, their tall spikes of satiny, crepe-textured flowers making a fine display in mid-summer. Best at the back of a sunny border, with something in front to hide their bare lower stems. This delightful strain features single to double flowers of rich blackcurrant red, the petal edges fading to mauve and soft pink with a yellow centre. Plants usually act as short-lived perennials, but will re-seed themselves for many years. Attractive to both butterflies and hummingbirds.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun– part sun. Drought tolerant once established. Needs at least 5 hours afternoon sun. Well-drained soil is essential. Keep water off leaves when watering and prefers to not be watered by sprinklers.
- **Growth:** Moderate, clumping grower to 5 to 7 feet tall, 1 to 2 feet wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 3-9, Perennial; Reseeds!
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Scalloped and ruffled green leaves. Keep water off foliage or rust can be an issue.
- **Flower:** Large single and double white blooms with raspberry-red centers and yellow throats in summer.



**Low  
Maintenance and a  
great cut flower!**