

# Spotlight™ Purple Rain Hollyhocks



**Beloved by  
children  
and great  
as a  
Cut flower!**



## *Alcea rosea* 'Spotlight™ Purple Rain'

- **Use:** True perennial hollyhock which flowers the first year from seed, brilliant blue-purple single flowers bloom on tall stately stalks all summer, pinch to produce more compact and bushy plants. Hollyhocks provide excellent architectural height, contrast and a certain amount of old world charm to cottage gardens and border backgrounds. Also effective, when grown in a cluster, against walls or fences. May need to be staked if planted in a windy site.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun– part sun. Drought tolerant once established. Needs at least 5 hours afternoon sun. Rich, moist, well-drained soil is essential.
- **Growth:** Moderate, clumping grower to 5 to 6 feet tall, 1 feet wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 3-9, Perennial Reseeding
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Foliage features large, heart-shaped (3, 5 or 7 lobes), rough lower leaves which become progressively smaller toward the top of the spire.
- **Flower:** The single, blue-purple flowers grow on rigid, towering spikes or spires in summer to fall.

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