

# Purple Rose of Sharon



This is a nice addition to the back of a mixed border, and can also be used as a specimen plant for late summer interest. Excellent for hedging.



## *Hibiscus (Althea) syriacus 'Purple'*

- **Use:** Think of what you could do with this beauty: screens, hedges, or a statement piece. Anywhere you need a little privacy and/or color to fill a large space, this plant is a great choice. The distinctive flower color complements many popular summer perennials.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Grow in full sun in ordinary soil. The narrow habit of Purple Pillar rose of Sharon means it creates few to no branches, so little to no pruning is required. If you want to prune it, do so in early spring.
- **Growth:** Grows 10-16' tall and 12' wide.
- **Hardiness:** **Zone** 5-9 Shrub/ Small Tree. Very heat tolerant!
- **Foliage:** Deciduous; Medium green maple-like leaves.
- **Flower:** In summer, each stem is packed along its entire length with purple blooms. Flowers are semi-double, which means that they have two or more layers of petals, but that the stamens and pistil are still visible in the center.

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