Purple Pillar® Rose of Sharon Hibiscus syriacus

FEATURES

You've never seen a rose of Sharon like this before!

Purple Pillar[®] is a totally unique rose of Sharon: it naturally grows as a narrow column instead of a wide, spreading plant. It gets to be just 2-3' (.6-.9 m) wide and 10-16' tall! Think of what you could do with that: screens, hedges, patio containers. Anywhere you need a little privacy and/or color in a narrow space, this plant is a great choice. Like most all hibiscus, it will do best in full sun. It is hardy to USDA Zone 5.

In summer, each stem is packed along its entire length with purple blooms. This unusual columnar habit makes it a real space saver - if you thought you didn't have enough space to grow rose of Sharon, Purple Pillar is perfect for you. Try it in containers, or flanking your front door, or simply as a quirky accent in your landscape.

Continuous Bloom or Rebloomer

Long Blooming

Heat Tolerant

Drought Tolerant

Attracts: Bees

Resists: Deer

CHARACTERISTICS

Plant Type: Shrub

Shrub Type: Deciduous

Height Category: Tall Garden Height: 120 - 192 Inches

Spacing: 24 - 36 Inches

Spread: 24 - 36 Inches

Flower Colors: Purple

Foliage Colors: Green

Foliage Shade: Green

Habit: Upright

Container Role: Thriller

PLANT NEEDS

Light Requirement: Sun

Maintenance Category: Easy

Blooms On: New Wood

Bloom Time: Summer through Fall

Hardiness Zones: 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7a, 7b, 8a, 8b, 9a, 9b

Water Category: Low

Needs Good Drainage

Uses: Border Plant Container Good for Screening Landscape Mass Planting Specimen or Focal Point

Maintenance Notes:

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. In areas that experience snow fall, avoid planting it where it might be dumped on by snow falling off of the roof - yours, or your neighbors.

Fun Facts:

The flowers on Purple Pillar rose of Sharon 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.