Hibiscus

Hibiscus Syriacus (Rose of Sharon or Hardy Hibiscus)

Brightly colored, exotic looking flowers on a hardy shrub or small tree. The upright, oval form of the hibiscus set buds in late spring and early summer and are ready to burst into bloom in mid-July. The rest of the summer they are covered with 3" to 5" diameter blooms in a striking array of colors. These hibiscus are drought tolerant and prefer full sun and well-drained soil. Because hibiscus bloom on new growth, pruning should be prior to the start of growth (mid March). Planted alone as a specimen or grouped together to form a hedge, Rose of Sharon Hibiscus make a bright, and beautiful landscape statement.

Amplissimus - Rosy red double flowers.

Aphrodite - Dark pink single flowers with prominent red eye.

Ardens - Lavender-blue double flowers.

Blue Bird - Sky blue single flowers with dark eye.

Blue Satin - Rich, deep blue single flowers, absolutely the best Blue!

Diana - Huge single white flowers.

Helene - Very large single white flowers, blushed with pink accented with a deep maroon feathered eye.

Jean de Arc - Double white flowers.

Lavender Chiffon - Single lavender flowers with a lacy center.

Lucy - Double deep reddish-pink flowers.

Minerva - Large lavender flowers with dark red eye.

Pulcherimus - Light pink double blooms darkening to a maroon eye.

Red Heart - Pure white flower with a scarlet eye.

White Chiffon - Single white flowers with a lacy center.

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Hibiscus Moscheutos (Rose Mallow or Giant Hibiscus)

Bold, exotic dinner plate size flowers on a perennial shrub make this an eye catcher. These huge, showy flowers begin blooming mid to late July and continue to the first frost. They require full sun and will grow in most any type soil. Plants will die back to the ground each season, simply cutoff stems at 6" above the ground and mulch for winter protection. These "late sleepers" will begin to emerge from the ground late May and grow to their full size in one season.

Anne Arundel - 8" deep pink flowers.

Blue River II - Huge pure white blooms.

Crown Jewels - Deeply cut purple foliage and pale pink flower with dark red eye.

Luna Pink - Compact grower with large pink flowers.

Luna Red - Compact grower with large scarlet red flowers.

Luna White - Compact grower with white saucer shaped flowers and a red eye.

Fantasia - Ruffled lavender-pink prolific blooms.

Fireball - Bold deep red blooms on finely dissected foliage.

Kopper King - Purple-bronzed lobed foliage with 12" white to raspberry red eye zones.

Lord Baltimore - Brilliant red 10" ruffled flowers with deeply cut leaves.

Lady Baltimore - Bright 6"-8" pink flowers with red eye and deeply cut flowers.

Plum Crazy - Plum-mauve blooms on finely dissected foliage.