

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHY DO WE LOVE RUSSIAN SAGE?

Russian Sage is one of the easiest, longest blooming plants in the garden. Typically they will bloom for many months on end without ever taking a rest and they will thrive in some of the harshest conditions including extreme heat and drought. They will also do great in just about any soil as well.

WHAT IS SPECIAL ABOUT THIS VARIETY?

Little Spires Russian Sage is our favorite hybrid because it is a wonderful garden performer growing only about 2-3 feet tall and wide. This means it will never flop or need staking and it is compact enough to be grown all around the garden or even in containers. It also has gorgeous fragrant silvery foliage that complements its violet-blue flowers superbly.

DO POLLINATORS LIKE RUSSIAN SAGE?

Of all the plants in the garden, Russian Sage is one of the absolute best way to ensure pollinators will come to your garden. This is extremely important because without ample pollinators, you will not be getting the most out of your plants. Try planting around your veggie plants to make sure your veggies get adequately pollinated producing the highest yield possible.

WHERE SHOULD I PLANT THEM?

This no fuss plant is a great addition to your perennial flower beds since it will be looking great all summer long. Its bright flowers bring a unique sense of airiness to the garden. They look wonderful planted in a mass setting, along borders, in rocky areas, and in containers on patios and porches.

WHAT ARE SOME NICE COMPANION PLANTS?

Daylilies, Lavender, Black-Eyed Susan, Coneflowers, Clematis, Butterfly Bush, Phlox and Geranium all make nice companions.

FIRST THINGS FIRST...

When your plant arrives from Roberta's, remove from the shipping box immediately.

Remove plastic bag and sleeve from around potted plant(s). Discard any packing material clinging to the leaves or soil. Pull away any yellow or brown leaves that may have occurred during transit. If you can not plant it into garden or larger pot within a few days, make sure it stays well watered.

When ready to plant, do the job as early in the day as possible to avoid extreme soil temperatures that prevent proper water uptake from the roots. Water them in well and whisper a few words of wisdom.



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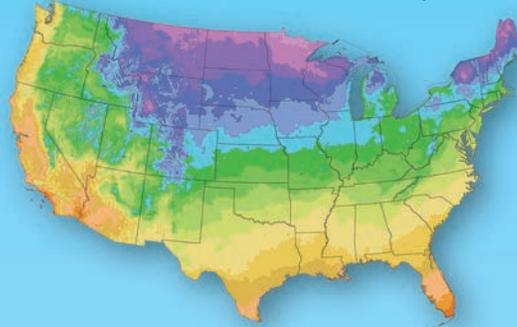
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Plant Hardiness Zone Map



9a to 11 (orange) 7a (light green) 6a (medium green) 5a (purple)
8a to 8b (yellow) 6b (green) 5bs to 5bn (light blue) 3a to 4b (pink)
7b (light yellow)



ROBERTA'S GARDENS PLANTING AND GROWING GUIDE



Little Spires
Russian Sage
(Perovskia hybrid)



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QUICK REFERENCE PLANTING GUIDE

LIGHT/SUN EXPOSURE:	Full to Part Sun
USDA HARDINESS ZONES:	5-9
PLANT TYPE	Perennial
PLANTING DISTANCE:	20-30 inches
MATURE HEIGHT/SPREAD:	24-36 inches 18-24 inches
BLOOM TIME:	Summer through Fall by 2nd Season
PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS:	Unpack your plants immediately removing any packing material. Plant in garden immediately after the night temperatures stay above 40 degrees. Water them deeply and thoroughly.
<small>(soil preparation, depth, which end is up, etc.)</small>	

PLANTING GUIDE

1
STEP

Remove plastic bag and/or sleeve from around potted plant(s). Discard any packing material clinging to the leaves or soil. Pull away any yellow or brown leaves or spent flowers that may have occurred during transit. If you cannot plant it into garden or larger pot within a few days, make sure it stays well watered.

2
STEP

Transplant into the garden as soon as evening temperatures stay above 40F. Dig holes twice the width of the root ball and about 5 to 6 inches deep. Place them in their holes. Pack soil firmly around roots. Fill with soil and pack in firmly covering entire root zone. Water again. Plants prefer partial sun or full sun.

3
STEP

Rather than in the garden you may re-pot into large containers. Repot the plants into at least 10 inch pots separately or together inside one larger container.

4
STEP

Planted now they will produce flowers in the summer by the second season.

CONTINUING CARE

SHELF LIFE

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PLANT PREPARATION

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POTTED PLANTS

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SOIL

Amend clay type soils with compost or potting mix.

PLANT SPACING

In the garden, space about 20 to 30 inches apart.

PLANT HEIGHT AND WIDTH

These grow about 2-3 feet tall and 18-24 inches wide.

FERTILIZER

They respond to feeding with a high bloom fertilizer like Flower Magic plant food (M7503). Once a month is sufficient during spring and summer.

LIGHTING

Full sun is the absolute best; partial sun is also acceptable.

BLOOMING

Under correct conditions, blooming begins in mid-summer and will last until the first frost, by the second season.

WATERING

Water upon planting and just average during the summer. Once established, they will be fairly drought tolerant.

TEMPERATURE ZONE 5 TO 9

When nights stay above 40 degrees, place your plants outside and leave them there. They can withstand winter temperatures down to minus -20F.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE



Russian Sage Shipped as Shown



Fantastic along borders and walkways



Violet-blue flowers all summer long



High color impact but so easy to grow