

Chessington

Care & Advice

Hebes

Hebes are a very large group of shrubs with a range of attributes which make them very garden worthy. Evergreen foliage, a long flowering period and a neat bushy habit along with a wide variety of foliage colours and shapes.



The flowering can begin in spring with some of the smaller headed varieties such as "Baby Marie" which has neat foliage and pale lilac flowers. The larger flowered varieties take over in late spring and summer, many continuing into autumn and winter. Varieties such as "Great Orme", "Nicola's Blush" and "Autumn Glory" continue flowering particularly well.



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Many Hebes double their value in the garden by combining long flowering with striking foliage colours

Hebes come from scrubland and rocky areas of New Zealand. This means they are well adapted to our own climate but require plenty of sun and free draining soil.

If planted in more shady areas, the plants tend to become leggy more quickly. Hebes are short lived shrubs which can become leggy in time but this can be put off by regular and light pruning.

All the varieties we sell have been extensively trialed to test their hardiness.

This guide has been put together to give a brief outline of the care needed. If you require any further information, please ask our plant advisors who will be very happy to help.

