

# Lotus berthelotii



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<b>Botanical Name:</b>	Lotus berthelotii
<b>Common Names:</b>	Parrots Beak, Lotus Vine Flower, Pelican Beak, Coral Gem,
<b>Native:</b>	No
<b>Foliage Type:</b>	Deciduous
<b>Plant Type:</b>	Climbers, Groundcovers
<b>Plant Habit:</b>	Climbing / Twining, Prostrate, Spreading

### Description:

An ornamental, deciduous, creeping, groundcover that originated from the Canary Islands. The attractive foliage has needle like grey blue leaves that make a great backdrop for the stunning crimson red and orange parrot beak shaped flowers that appear during Spring and Summer. The creeping habit makes it perfect to cascade over a retaining wall, pot or a hanging basket making a stunning display.

**Mature Height:** 15-30cm **Position:** Full Sun, Semi Shade

**Mature Width:** 30-60cm **Soil Type:** Loam, Sandy, Well Drained

**Landscape Use(s):** Balcony / Roof, Borders / Shrubbery, Courtyard, Feature, Foliage Feature / Colour, Groundcover, Mass Planting, Rockery, Tropical Garden, Container / Pot

### Pest & Diseases:

Generally trouble free

### Cultural Notes:

Requires good fertile moist soil. Regular watering during Summer and annual fertiliser. Prune back after flowering. In cooler areas it may die back but will regenerate in Spring.

### Plant Care:

Annual slow release fertiliser, Keep moist during dry periods, Mulch well

**Family Name:** Fabaceae

**Origin:** Africa

### Characteristics:

**Foliage Colours:** Blue, Grey

**Flower Colours:** Yellow, Red

**Flower Fragrant:** No

**Flowering Season:** Spring, Summer

**Fruit:** Insignificant

### Requirements:

**Growth Rate:** Moderate

**Maintenance Level:** Low

**Water Usage:** Medium / Moderate

### Tolerances:

**Drought:** Low, Medium / Moderate

**Frost:** Tender

**Wind:** Tender

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