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<b>Botanical Name:</b>	Penstemon hybrida Blackbird
<b>Common Names:</b>	Beard Tongue,
<b>Native:</b>	No
<b>Foliage Type:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Plant Type:</b>	TBA
<b>Plant Habit:</b>	Shrub Like

### Description:

Showy evergreen perennial with long lasting dark-purple tubular flowers during the warmer months. Perfect for cottage themed gardens and containers. Grows approx. 70cm tall x 60cm wide.

<b>Mature Height:</b>	60cm-1m	<b>Position:</b>	Full Sun, Semi Shade
<b>Mature Width:</b>	30-60cm	<b>Soil Type:</b>	Any, Clay, Loam, Sandy, Well Drained

**Landscape Use(s):** Bird Attracting, Borders / Shrubbery, Courtyard, Cut Flower, Feature, Mass Planting, Container / Pot, Under Trees

### Pest & Diseases:

Generally trouble free

### Cultural Notes:

Prefers a full sun to part-shade position in a well-drained soil. Deadheading will encourage further flowering. Mulch well. Prune by half during Winter.

### Plant Care:

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

<b>Family Name:</b>	Plantaginaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Asia
<b>Characteristics:</b>	
<b>Foliage Colours:</b>	Green
<b>Flower Colours:</b>	Black, Purple
<b>Flower Fragrant:</b>	No
<b>Flowering Season:</b>	Autumn, Spring, Summer
<b>Fruit:</b>	Insignificant
<b>Requirements:</b>	
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Maintenance Level:</b>	Medium
<b>Water Usage:</b>	Low
<b>Tolerances:</b>	
<b>Drought:</b>	High
<b>Frost:</b>	Tender
<b>Wind:</b>	Tender

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