

HEATHERS

This shrub has become widely planted throughout the British Isles. Deservedly so, heathers are gaining in popularity due to their all year round interest, in the form of flower and low maintenance requirements. They prefer lime-free soils and are best planted in open sunny positions, also tolerating most positions and shade. Pruning is carried out after flowering.

Coloured foliage varieties and those with attractive dried flower heads to be pruned in late March.

Price each: p10 £0.98, 1.5 litres £1.85, 2 litres £2.95. Special quotation for 50 and 100 rate

Flowering Time Height in cms * Denotes colour foliage varieties

CALLUNA VULGARIS

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| Aug-Sept | 50 | alba Erecta. White flowers on clear green foliage. |
| Aug-Sept | 15 | * – Aurea. White flowers on golden foliage. |
| Aug-Oct | 40 | – Plena. Double white flowers. |
| July-Aug | 30 | – Praecox. Pure white flowers on dark green foliage. |
| Sept-Oct | 30 | * Alison Yates. Long white flowers, silvery-grey foliage. |
| Aug-Sept | 50 | Allegro. Deep purplish-red flowers. |
| Aug-Sept | 60 | Alportii. Bright crimson flowers and green foliage. |
| July-Sept | 40 | – praecox. As above but more compact. |
| Aug-Sept | 40 | Amilto. Golden-yellow foliage turning to orange-red. Reddish-purple flowers. |
| Aug-Sept | 50 | Anthony Davis. A vigorous free flowering heather with white flowers on soft grey-green foliage. |
| | | Arina. Purplish-pink flowers. |
| Aug-Sept | 40 | Arran Gold. Bright golden foliage turning to red in Winter. |
| Aug-Sept | 50 | Barnet Anley. Purple flowers, green foliage, compact erect habit. |
| Oct-Dec | 60 | Battle of Arnhem. Crimson flowers, good late flowering variety. |
| Sept-Oct | 45 | * Beoley Crimson. Deep carmine-red. |
| Aug-Sept | 40 | – Gold. Pure white flowers on golden foliage which remains golden throughout the year. |
| Aug-Sept | 40 | * Blazeaway. Pale mauve flowers with gold/orange/red foliage. |
| July-Sept | 35 | Bognie. Lovely yellow and green foliage, turning to bronze in Winter with lavender flowers. |
| Aug-Sept | 30 | * Boskoop. Beautiful rich golden foliage, turning to orange in Winter, with lavender flowers. |
| July-Sept | 25 | Bray Head. Bright red tips on green foliage in Spring with purple flowers. |
| Aug-Sept | 15 | Bud Lyle. Bright yellow foliage turning to orange and red with mauve flowers. |
| Aug-Sept | 25 | Californian Midge. Pink-purple flowers, very small. Green mossy foliage. A pin cushion calluna. |
| Aug-Sept | 40 | Carmen. Violet-red flowers. |
| Aug-Sept | 50 | * Carole Chapman. White flowers, golden foliage. |
| Aug-Sept | 30 | * Coccinea. Deep crimson flowers on grey foliage. |
| Aug-Sept | 30 | County Wicklow. Double shell-pink flowers, freely borne, semi-prostrate habit. |
| Aug-Sept | 45 | * Crimson Celery. Deep crimson flowers. Golden foliage turning red in Winter. |
| Aug-Sept | 45 | * Cupea. Mauve flowers, bronze-yellow foliage, turning darker in Winter with light mauve flowers. |
| Aug-Sept | 60 | C.W. Nix. Purple red flowers, graceful feathery foliage. |
| Aug-Sept | 45 | Darkness. Vivid crimson flowers in dense spikes, free flowering variety. |
| Aug-Sept | 30 | * Dart's Hedgehog. Orange foliage, mauve flowers. |
| Sept-Nov | 40 | David Eason. Purple flowers. |
| Aug-Sept | 30 | Drum-Ra. White flowers on erect spikes of carrying length. |
| Aug-Sept | 45 | * Easter Bonfire. Light purple flowers. Young foliage, cream and red. |
| Aug-Sept | 50 | * Elegantissima. Pure white flowers, greyish-green foliage. |
| Sept-Oct | 50 | * Elsie Purnell. Silvery-pink double on grey-green foliage. Good variety. Good for flower arrangements. |
| Aug-Sept | 45 | * Firefly. Crimson flowers. Bright orange-red foliage. Upright habit. |
| Aug-Oct | 30 | * Flamingo. Lavender flowers. Red tips to foliage in Spring. |
| July-Sept | 15 | Foxii Nana. Purple flowers. Miniature pin-cushion like mound. Good for growing between pavement. |
| Aug-Sept | 40 | Fred Chapple. Purple flowers. Green/gold/cream/pink foliage. |
| Sept-Oct | 50 | Glencoe. Double pink flowers in long spikes. Ideal for flower arrangement. |
| Aug-Sept | 15 | * Golden Carpet. Purple flowers. Forms a golden foliage carpet, turning red in Winter. |
| Aug-Sept | 45 | * Gold Haze. White flowers on bright golden foliage, especially in Spring, remaining throughout year. |
| Sept-Nov | 70 | Goldsworth Crimson. Crimson flowers on sage-green foliage. |
| Aug-Sept | 45 | * Guinea Gold. White flowers are produced on bright golden foliage. |
| Aug-Sept | 70 | Hammondii. White flowers on dark green foliage. Strong growth. Good for flower arrangements. |
| Sept-Oct | 60 | H.E. Beale. Silvery pink double flowers. Good for flower arrangements. |
| Aug-Sept | 20 | Humpty Dumpty. A white flowering variety. Attractive 'parsley' shaped light green foliage, developing into an uneven mound. |

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- Oct-Nov 25 **Hibernica.** Pale mauve flowers, free flowering.
- Aug-Sept 40 ***Highland Rose.** Light purple flowers. Golden bronze foliage.
- Aug-Sept 45 ***Hirsuta Typica.** Mauve flowers on silvery grey foliage.
- Aug-Sept 60 **Hollandia.** Rosy purple flowers, tall growing.
- Aug-Sept 40 ***Inshraich Bronze.** Pale mauve flowers. Yellow foliage, turning to gold and bronze.
- Aug-Sept 20 ***Jan Dekker.** Ameythst flowers on silvery grey foliage.
- Sept-Oct 10 ***John F. Letts.** Mauve flowers. Yellow foliage, turning to orange in Winter.
- Aug-Sept 60 **J.H. Hamilton.** Double bright pink flowers, abundantly produced. Compact low growing habit.
- Aug-Sept 20 **Joan Sparkes.** Double mauve flowers. Bright green foliage. Dwarf.
- Aug-Sept 40 ***Joy Vanstone.** Deep pink flowers on golden foliage, turning to rich orange in Autumn, bronze in Winter.
- Aug-Sept 25 **Kinlochruel.** Pure white double flowers. Semi dwarf habit. A sport *County Wicklow*. May revert to pink flowers.
- Aug-Sept 30 ***Lewis Lilac.** Lilac flowers which are produced on orange foliage.
- Aug-Sept 20 ***Miss Muffet.** Cream tipped foliage during early Summer. A sport of *Humpty Dumpty*, having same characteristics in form and flower.
- Aug-Oct 30 **Mousehole.** Pale mauve flowers on green foliage, forming a 'pin-cushion' shape.
- Aug-Sept 30 ***Mrs Pat.** Mauve flowers. Green foliage with brilliant pink tips in Spring.
- Aug-Sept 10 **Mrs Ronald Grey.** Mauve flowers. Prostrate growth.
- Aug-Oct 50 **My Dream.** White flowers fading to pink. A sport of *H.E. Beale*. A lovely variety.
- Sept-Nov 25 **Mullion.** Purple flowers. Dwarf.
- Aug-Sept 15 **Multicolor.** Pale purple flowers. Tips of foliage becoming red in Winter, turning to shades of orange and yellow in Summer.
- Sept/Nov 45 **Orange Queen.** Pink flowers on golden/orange foliage in season.
- Sept-Oct 40 **Peter Sparkes.** Double pink flowers, which are darker than *H.E. Beale*, similar in habit but not as tall.
- Aug-Sept 30 **Radnor.** Soft pink, double.
- Sept-Oct 45 ***Red Carpet.** Mauve flowers. Brilliant red foliage.
- Aug-Sept 30 – **Favorit.** Deep pink double flowers.
- Aug-Sept 50 * – **Haze.** Mauve flowers. Yellow foliage in Summer, turning dark red in Winter.
- Aug-Sept 45 – **Star.** Deep magenta flowers. Deep green foliage.
- Aug-Sept 60 **Ralph Purnell.** Purple flowers. Upright habit.
- Aug-Sept 45 * **Robert Chapman.** Soft purple flowers. Soft yellow foliage in Summer, darkening to orange before turning to a glowing red in Autumn.
- Aug-Sept 40 ***Rosalind.** Mauve flowers on golden foliage. Upright in character.
- Aug-Sept ***Robert Knight.** Mauve foliage, which are produced on 'soft' yellow.
- Aug-Sept 20 ***Roland Haagen.** Mauve flowers. Golden-yellow foliage.
- Aug-Oct 30 ***Ruby Slinger.** White flowers. Creamy yellow tips are produced on the young Spring foliage.
- Aug-Sept 25 **Ruth Sparkes.** Double white flowers on pale golden foliage which is conspicuous throughout the year. Compact dwarf habit.
- Sept-Oct 35 ***Sally Anne Proudly.** Pale mauve flower. Green foliage, with yellow, red and pink tips in Spring.
- Aug-Sept 30 ***Silver Knight.** Lavender flowers. Compact habit. Attractive 'woolly' grey foliage.
- Aug-Sept 45 * – **Rose.** Rose-pink flowers with silvery grey foliage.
- Aug-Sept 40 ***Sir John Carrington.** Deep crimson flowers. Orange foliage turning to red in Winter. This is the best substitute to *Robert Chapman*.
- Aug-Oct 45 ***Skipper.** Mauve flowers. Pink tips to foliage in Spring.
- Aug-Sept 15 ***Sister Anne.** Pale mauve flowers on 'woolly' grey-green foliage. Compact habit.
- Aug-Sept 30 ***Spitfire.** Mauve flowers. Yellow foliage turning to a darker yellow in Winter.
- Aug-Sept 40 ***Spring Cream.** White flowers. Green foliage with cream tips.
- Sept-Nov 60 * – **Glow.** Mauve flowers. Young tips in Spring are pink and red in colour.
- Aug-Sept 50 * – **Torch.** Pink flowers on green foliage, with vermilion tips during Spring.
- Aug-Sept 30 ***Summer Orange.** Lavender flowers on yellow foliage.
- Aug-Sept 30 ***Sunrise.** Purple flowers. Golden-yellow foliage in Summer, turning to orange and red in Winter.
- Aug-Sept 50 ***Sunset.** Pink flowers. Yellow/gold/orange/red foliage.
- Aug-Sept 25 **Tib.** Double rosy-crimson flowers, rich green foliage.
- Aug-Sept 25 ***Tricolorifolia.** Pink flowers. Dark green foliage. Bronze, red-grey tips.
- Sept-Oct 45 **Underwoodii.** Pale mauve flowers. Silvery purple.
- Aug-Sept 45 ***Wickwar Flame.** Lavender flowers. Similar to *Blazeaway*.

HEATHERS**ERICA CARNEA**

This specie of heather is widely planted. Generally of compact habit, producing a varied colour effect with flower and foliage during the Winter months. Adaptable to most types of soils, except thin soils overlying chalk or waterlogged conditions. Earliest flowers appear in November and the latest in April.

The majority of varieties flower from mid Winter to early Spring (January-March).

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| Jan-May | 20 | Aurea. Purplish-pink flowers. Golden foliage throughout the year. Compact habit. |
| Feb-Mar | 15 | Anne Sparks. Carmine-red flowers. Golden foliage, red tips in Winter. |
| Dec-Feb | 30 | December Red. Deep rose-pink flowers. Vigorous spreading habit. Dark green foliage. |
| Jan-Mar | 20 | Foxhollow. White with pink sepals. Golden foliage. |
| Jan-Mar | 20 | – Fairy. Cream flowers with pink sepals. Vigorous trailing habit. |
| Mar-Apr | 25 | James Backhouse. Light pink flowers. |
| Dec-Mar | 25 | King George. Rich rosy-pink flowers, dark foliage, prolific. |
| Feb-Mar | 25 | Loughrigg. Purple flowers, dark green foliage with bronze tip. |
| Jan-Apr | 20 | Myretoun Ruby. Rich pink flowers, which gradually turn bright red. |
| Jan-Mar | 20 | Pink Beauty. Pink flowers on light green foliage. |
| Jan-Mar | 20 | – Spangles. Deep pink large flowers with rosy-red bells. Strong prostrate grower. |
| Nov-Mar | 20 | Praecox Rubra. Purplish-red flowers. |
| Feb-Apr | 20 | Ruby Glow. Rich dark red flower. Low growing. |
| Dec-May | 15 | Snow Queen. Large white flowers. |
| Jan-Mar | 20 | Springwood Pink. Large pale pink flowers on low vigorous plants. |
| Jan-Mar | 20 | – White. White flower with attractive brown antlers. Low growing and vigorous. |
| Feb-Mar | 20 | Vivelli. Dark red flowers on bronze-green foliage, dark green in Summer. Compact growth. |
| Dec-Feb | 15 | Winter Beauty. Bright rosy-pink flowers. |

ERICA CINEREA

The Bell Heather produces a very colourful display. They do prefer a dryer sunny position. Majority flower between June-September. Maximum height approximately 35cm.

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| June-Oct | 25 | Alba minor. White flower, freely produced. Compact plant with bright green foliage. |
| July-Sept | 20 | C.D. Eason. Bright red flowers on dark green foliage. Robust habit. |
| July-Sept | 20 | * Golden Drop. Pink flowers. Golden-copper foliage in Summer, turning misty red in Winter. Matching. |
| July-Aug | 30 | * Golden Hue. Pink flowers on light golden foliage. Upright habit. |
| June-Sept | 30 | Katinka. Dark purple flowers. Compact habit with dark foliage. |

ERICA DARLEYENSIS

This specie can tolerate lime conditions but not advisable to plant on shallow chalky soils. Winter flowering, with sizes ranging from 35-60cm.

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| Dec-Apr | 60 | Arthur Johnson. Mauve-pink flowers, in long spikes on light green foliage. |
| Dec-Apr | 40 | Darley Dale. Pale pink flowers. Prolific growth. |
| Jan-May | 40 | Furzey. Lilac-pink flowers, dark foliage. |
| Dec-Apr | 35 | George Rendall. Deep pink flowers on dark foliage. Compact growth. |
| Dec-Apr | 40 | Ghost Hills. Deep rose flowers which are produced in abundance. |
| Dec-Apr | 30 | * Jack Brummage. Pink flowers on yellow foliage, which turns to a deeper colour in Winter. |
| Dec-Apr | 20 | Margaret Porter. Light salmon-pink flower. |
| Dec-Apr | 40 | Silver Beads. Pure white flowers, which are produced in abundance. |

ERICA VAGANS

Commonly known as Cornish Heath. Easily identified by its bottlebrush like flowers. Tolerant of a wide range of soils including slightly alkaline.

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| July-Sept | 35 | Alba. White flowers. |
| July-Sept | 30 | Diana Hornibrook. Rosy-red flowers. |
| Aug-Oct | 45 | Cornish Cream. Creamy-white flowers on long spikes. |
| Aug-Oct | 30 | Irish Lemon. Pale pink flowers. Very attractive lemon coloured young foliage. |
| Aug-Oct | 40 | Lyonesse. Creamy-yellow flowers on glossy green foliage. |
| Aug-Oct | 35 | Mrs D.F. Maxwell. Deep rose-cerise flowers on dark green foliage. |
| Aug-Nov | 40 | Rubra. Purplish-pink flowers. |
| Aug-Oct | 20 | St Keverne. Salmon-pink flowers. Bushy habit. |