

## Pelargonium graveolens

### ( Rose Geranium, Sweet scented geranium)

Pelargonium graveolens is a shrub native to South Africa, thus it has high heat and drought tolerance. The plant has showy white, and pink flowers and lemony scented leaves. It is also considered a herb and is used in edible landscapes; since its leaves and flowers are used in flavouring food.



Plant Image

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#### Landscape Information

**French Name:** pélargonium à forte odeur

**Pronunciation:** pe-lar-GO-nee-um grav-ee-OH-lens

**Plant Type:** Groundcover

**Origin:** Southern Africa, South Africa

**Heat Zones:** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13

**Hardiness Zones:** 9, 10, 11, 12

**Uses:** Border Plant, Container, Edible

#### Size/Shape

**Tree Shape:** Round, oval

**Height at Maturity:** 1 to 1.5 m

**Spread at Maturity:** 0.5 to 1 meter

**Time to Ultimate Height:** 2 to 5 Years

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Flower Image

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## Botanical Description

### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Alternate

**Leaf Venation:** Palmate

**Leaf Persistence:** Evergreen

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** 5 - 10 cm

**Leaf Shape:** Star

**Leaf Margins:** Serrate

**Leaf Textures:** Medium

**Leaf Scent:** Pleasant

**Color(growing season):** Green, Variegated

**Color(changing season):** Green, Variegated

### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** True

**Flower Size Range:** 1.5 - 3

**Flower Type:** Umbel

**Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)

**Flower Scent:** Pleasant

**Flower Color:** White, Pink

**Seasons:** Year Round

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### Trunk

**Number of Trunks:** Multi-Trunked

**Trunk Esthetic Values:** Not Showy

### Fruit

**Fruit Showiness:** False

**Seasons:** Year Round

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Leaf Image

### Horticulture Management

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#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** Yes

**Heat Tolerant:** Yes

**Drought Tolerant:** Yes

**Salt Tolerance:** Moderate

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Neutral

**Water Requirements:** Moderate, Low

**Light Requirements:** Full, Part

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#### Management

**Toxity:** No

**Invasive Potential:** No

**Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** No

**Pruning Requirement:** Needed, to develop a strong structure

**Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** No

**Edible Parts:** Leaf

**Pests:** Flies

**Plant Propagations:** Cutting

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Fruit Image



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