

# Figwort 'Scarlet Queen'

*Penstemon 'Scarlet Queen'* Also known as: ***Penstemon 'Scarlet Queen'***

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This description is for genus

**Figwort (*Penstemon*):**

Penstemon is a genus of North American and East Asian flowering plants with spikes of unusual flower heads that look like an open mouth. The lower petal is hairy and it is this that gives it the common name of beard-tongue. The species of this genus range in height from just 10cm to over 3 metres. Native Americans used the root of this plant as a remedy for toothache. It's a popular garden plant and there are literally hundreds of hybrid varieties in a huge range of colours. They're native to both desert and alpine regions and so are very hardy in most climates.



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Plant	Environment	Usage
<b>Known dangers?</b> no	<b>Acidity</b> Acidic Neutral Alkaline	<b>Standard category</b> Flowers & bulbs Perennials
<b>Height [m]</b> 0.75 - 0.9	<b>Hardiness zone</b> Z7-9	<b>Grown for</b> Attractive Flowers
<b>Spread [m]</b> 0.6	<b>Heat zone</b> H9-7	<b>Creative category</b> Kid Approved For Beginners Colours Show-offs Roses & classics Author's choice
<b>Dominant flower colour</b> Red	<b>Winter temperatures [°C]</b> -18 - -1	<b>Garden type</b> Cottage garden

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<b>Flower Fragrance</b> No, neutral please	<b>Heat days</b> 60 - 150	<b>Garden spaces</b> Flower beds Borders
<b>Flowering seasons</b> Mid summer	<b>Moisture</b> well-drained	<b>Gardening expertise</b> beginner
<b>Foliage in spring</b> Green	<b>Soil type</b> sandy chalky loams	<b>Time to reach full size</b> 2 to 5 years
<b>Foliage in summer</b> Green	<b>Sun requirements</b> Full sun Partial shade	
<b>Foliage in Autumn</b> Green	<b>Exposure</b> Exposed Sheltered	
<b>Foliage in winter</b> Green		
<b>Awards?</b> Yes, let it smell		
<b>Propagation methods</b> semi-ripe cuttings softwood cuttings seed division		
<b>Growth habit</b> Bushy Upright		