



bee-friendliness rating

Gift to Nature's Guide to Bee-Friendly Plants



common name

**Purple Toadflax**

botanical name

**Linaria purpurea**

family

Scrophulariaceae

origin

Mediterranean



type of plant:
tree
climber
shrub
<b>herbaceous perennial</b>
biennial
annual

height range:
<b>&lt; 0.5 m</b>
<b>0.5-1 m</b>
1-2 m
2-5 m
5-10 m
> 10 m

suitable soil types:
<b>chalk</b>
<b>sand</b>
<b>clay</b>
<b>well-drained</b>
damp
wet

suitable aspects:
<b>sunny</b>
semi-shade
shade

Months in flower - fragrant											
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	<b>May</b>	<b>Jun</b>	<b>Jul</b>	<b>Aug</b>	<b>Sep</b>	Oct	Nov	Dec
Months in leaf - aromatic											
Jan	Feb	Mar	<b>Apr</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>Jun</b>	<b>Jul</b>	<b>Aug</b>	<b>Sep</b>	<b>Oct</b>	Nov	Dec

Edible plant? No?

Useful plant? *Linaria* species have medicinal uses.

Always seek advice from a professional before using a plant medicinally.

Hive bees, bumble bees, and solitary bees all need both nectar and pollen. Hive bees also need enough to make spare honey for people. For hive bees, see also leaflets from the British Beekeepers Association at [www.britishbee.org.uk/information\\_leaflets.php](http://www.britishbee.org.uk/information_leaflets.php). For bumble bees, see also [www.bumblebeeconservationtrust.co.uk/gardening\\_for\\_bumblebees.htm](http://www.bumblebeeconservationtrust.co.uk/gardening_for_bumblebees.htm). For more plants, see F.N. Howes *Plants and Beekeeping* 1979 Faber & Faber ISBN 0 571 11358 3, out of print but available second-hand For more information on edible and useful plants, see [www.pfaf.org](http://www.pfaf.org). For native plants and animals associated with them, see the Postcode Plants Database <http://www.nhm.ac.uk/fff/index.html>.