



# *Iberis* Absolutely Amethyst

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## Iberis Absolutely Amethyst

*sempervirens* Hybrid

### KEY BENEFITS

*Iberis* or commonly called Candytuft are well known by keen gardeners of Mediterranean climates where they thrive. Most varieties of *Iberis sempervirens*, one of the parents of **'Absolutely Amethyst'** are perennials. They have pure white flower heads which reflect the sun that they enjoy so much. **'Absolutely Amethyst'** is a hybrid between *sempervirens* and some of the forms from the Spanish area where they are native. **'Absolutely Amethyst'** is the first true deep pink Candytuft. Flowers are a true pink/mauve and are borne in big numbers during the early days of spring. Used as a border planting in mixed gardens it almost defies description as the effect is so stunning. Flowering lasts for several weeks. Baskets and larger garden pots are suitable to grow **'Absolutely Amethyst'**.

### ORIGIN

All *Iberis* whether annuals or perennials are native to Europe, North Africa and parts of Asia. They are named for Iberia, the ancient name for Spain where many of the species are native. By careful selection the breeders at Innovaplant in Germany were able to select the wonderful coloured flowers and deep green plants of **'Absolutely Amethyst'**.

### USES

Use **'Absolutely Amethyst'** as a border planting, in mixed garden beds, in rockeries and garden pots. As outlined above **'Absolutely Amethyst'** makes a statement whilst in flower. In full sun the plant really enjoys spring weather. Borders and scattered planting throughout the mixed garden beds are real uses. When in flower it will really stand out to all who come by. Larger garden pots and hanging baskets are really superb but make sure they do not dry out between watering.

### CARE

*Iberis* need full sun to thrive with good drainage a necessity. Soils that are dressed with Lime to lower acidity are beneficial. Prepare the garden bed by lightly turning over the soil. Incorporate humus and lightly work it in. In most soil types this should be sufficient to get the plants well established. After flowering a light shearing, taking care to never cut back into the harder sections of the branches, to remove the spent flowers keeps the plants in order. *Iberis* do best in days of 10°C to 25°C, a perfect Mediterranean climate when they start to send up their buds and then flowers develop. At this time a light application of liquid fertiliser every week makes for better and longer flowering. In growing these plants in Redland Bay we have not seen any real problems with **'Absolutely Amethyst'** but it is too warm here for many flowers to develop, it needs a cooler climate.

Another super selection for trouble free gardening from the team at Aussie Winners.