



## **How to Grow Gillenia**

**Position** – Part shade

**Soil** – Moist, well-drained

**Flowering Period** – Spring and summer

**Hardiness** – Fully hardy

### **About Gillenia**

Gillenia are rhizomatous perennial plants with attractive palmately divided foliage, long dark slender stems and clusters of gorgeous star-shaped flowers. Gillenia are best suited to flower beds and borders within a cottage or informal garden. You should expect to see Gillenia grow to an approximate height of 50-100cm (20-40") and a spread of 10-50cm (4-20").

### **How to plant Gillenia**

Gillenia are best planted in moist, well-drained soil of sand, loam and clay within an acidic or neutral PH balance. Amend the planting area with a generous amount of compost. Ensure the hole is as deep and as wide as the root ball. Water thoroughly after planting. Site your plants in an area that will attract full sun or part shade.

### **How to care for Gillenia**

Ensure that the soil is kept consistently moist. Apply a generous layer of mulch around the base of your plants to retain moisture levels and to suppress weeds. Once the flowering period is over you may wish to cut back plant stems.

### **How to propagate Gillenia**

It is possible to propagate Gillenia by seed sown in pots during the winter or alternatively by division during the spring and autumn.