# Petite Jenny Ragged Robin Campion

***Lychnis flos-cuculi 'Petite Jenny'***

*Petite Jenny Ragged Robin Campion flowers*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

Plant Height: 12 inches

Flower Height: 18 inches

Spread: 16 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4a

**Description:**

A compact, tufted perennial with oblong, dark green foliage, presenting double, soft lavender-pink flowers that float above the foliage on upright, slender leafy stems; blooms late spring to fall; an extremely showy plant especially when planted in masses

**Ornamental Features**

Petite Jenny Ragged Robin Campion has masses of beautiful pink frilly flowers with lavender overtones and buttery yellow eyes at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive tomentose pointy leaves remain dark green in colour with hints of silver throughout the season. The burgundy stems can be quite attractive.

**Landscape Attributes**

Petite Jenny Ragged Robin Campion is an open herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Petite Jenny Ragged Robin Campion is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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**Planting & Growing**

Petite Jenny Ragged Robin Campion will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity extending to 18 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 16 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Petite Jenny Ragged Robin Campion is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.