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# Early Small-flowered Clematis – prune after flowering as needed

**Alpinas & Macropetalas** (Generally easy to grow provided conditions are right, i.e. well-drained soil. Will grow in sun or partial shade. Below are some of the best.)

- C. 'Albina Plena' double white flowers.
- C. alpina 'Pamela Jackman' deep blue or pale violet-blue flowers.
- C. 'Constance' pinkish-red flowers, often semi-double.
- C. 'Markham's Pink' semi-double pink flowers.

**Montanas** (Unsuitable for harsh climates or colder situations, especially if the winter temperature goes below -15°C. If in doubt, seek local advice.)

- C. 'Broughton Star' deep pink, semi-double flowers.
- C. 'Mayleen' pink flowers.
- C. montana var. grandiflora [montana 'Grandiflora'] white flowers.

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- C. 'Asao' single or semi-double deep pink flowers, pale bar, yellow anthers.
- C. 'Fujimusume' intense blue flowers with yellow stamens.
- C. 'Guernsey Cream' flowers open yellow but become creamy-white in full blossom. Very early flowering. It doesn't like hot and sunny positions.
- C. 'Mrs Cholmondeley' large (sometimes very large, 12–23 cm) single or semi-double gappy lavender blue flowers with darker veining and brown anthers.
- C. 'Mrs George Jackman' white flowers with coffee stamens are semi-double on old wood and single on new growth.
- C. 'Niobe' compact cultivar with deep-red velvety flowers and yellow stamens.
- C. 'Piilu' compact cultivar with pink flowers that are semi-double on previous year's wood and single on new growth. Yellow stamens.
- C. 'The President' compact cultivar with navy blue flowers.
- C. 'Warszawska Nike' ['Warsaw Nike'] deep red-violet velvety flowers with golden stamens.
- C. 'Westerplatte' compact cultivar with brightly red velvety flowers.

Viticellas and Late Large-flowering Clematis – hard

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Viticellas (Small flowered, but with many blooms.)

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- C. 'Abundance' deep red, textured flowers of 5-7 cm, greenish-yellow stamens.
- C. 'Alba Luxurians' white flowers of 5-8 cm, green edges, crimson stamens.
- C. 'Betty Corning' bell-shaped, rose-lilac flowers of 5-7 cm, sweet fragrance.
- C. 'Emilia Plater' pale blue flowers of 8-13 cm with creamy stamens.

prune in early spring. These clematis are very easy to grow.

- C. 'Étoile Violette' very popular, violet flowers, 8-13 cm, yellow stamens.
- C. 'Kermesina' or C. 'Rubra' deep red flowers of 5-8 cm, with crimson stamens.
- C. 'Madame Julia Correvon' red flowers of 8-13 cm with yellow stamens.
- C. 'Minuet' flowers, 4-7 cm, white, deep red veining and edges, green stamens.
- C. 'Purpurea Plena Elegans' double reddish-purple flowers of 3-9 cm.
- C. 'Venosa Violacea' flowers, 8-13 cm, white, violet veining / edges / stamens.
- C. 'Walenburg' bright red/purple flowers, 6-8cm, creamy purple-veined bar.

### **Late Large-flowering Clematis**

- C. 'Błękitny Anioł' [C. viticella 'Blue Angel'] pale blue flowers with greenish-yellow stamens.
- C. 'Comtesse de Bouchaud' pink flowers with creamy stamens.
- C. 'Gipsy Queen' vigorous, deep violet-purple flowers, prefers a sunny spot.
- C. 'Hagley Hybrid' pale pink flowers that look their best if grown in shade.
- C. 'Honora' violet-purple flowers shaded with burgundy.
- C. 'Huldine' [C. viticella 'Huldine'] vigorous with pearly-white flowers of 7-10 cm in diameter and yellow stamens.
- C. 'Jackmanii' ever-popular vigorous climber with dark violet-blue flowers is the oldest large flowered cultivar, bred in 1858. Susceptible to powdery mildew.
- C. 'Kardynał Wyszyński' intense red flowers with reddish-brown stamens.
- C. 'Polish Spirit' [C. viticella 'Polish Spirit'] exceptionally long flowering cultivar, crimson-violet flowers, 7-10 cm, handsome small deep green leaves.
- C. 'Prince Charles' [C. viticella 'Prince Charles'] compact cultivar with pale blue flowers of 8-13 cm and pale yellow stamens.
- C. 'Semu' light purple to violet-blue flowers which fade as they open. As the flowers slightly hang down they show a darker centre.
- C. 'Victoria' very hardy, vigorous plant, violet flowers, greenish-yellow stamens.

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## Late Small-flowering Clematis – hard prune in early spring

### Integrifolias including Diversifolias (Non-climbing)

- C. 'Alionushka' large deep pink bell-shaped flowers, twisted sepals, up to 1.5 m.
- C. 'Arabella'- many violet blue flowers from June to October, good ground cover.
- C. × diversifolia 'Heather Herschell' small nodding pink flowers, up to 1.6 m.
- C. × durandii ['Durandii'] intense blue, fully open flowers, the largest in the Integrifolia Group (8-10 cm), ideally suited for cut flowers. Grows 1.5-2 m.
- *C. integrifolia* small nodding bell shaped blue-mauve flowers with recurving tepals. Grows to about 1 metre. Sometimes fragrant and different colours.
- C. 'Juuli' rosy-purple flowers, later lavender-blue with a pinker bar, up to 2 m.
- C. 'Sizaja Ptitza' small, nodding, soft to deep pink flowers. Grows 1.3 1.6 m.

#### Texensis (Need full sun and a lot of love!)

- C. 'Duchess of Albany' elongated, bell-shaped, red flowers ageing to pink. This cultivar opens to a much flatter flower than most others in the texensis group.
- C. 'Princess Diana' tulip-shaped flowers, pinkish red outside, intense pink inside.

**Tanguticas** (Can grow in hot and cold extremes provided drainage is very good. Do not like wet soil in winter. Buy from a reputable nursery as stock can be variable.)

- C. 'Bill MacKenzie' fully open flowers from late summer through autumn (July to October). Stems reach 4 6 m.
- C. 'Helios' fully open flowers from summer through autumn (between June and October). Not fully hardy, can freeze in harsh winters. Stems reach up to 3 m.
- C. 'Kugotia' GOLDEN TIARA<sup>TM</sup> fully open intense golden-yellow flowers with deep violet stamens, borne from July to October. Stems grow up to 3 m
- C. 'Lambton Park' most valuable cultivar in this group. Comparatively large, partly open flowers are borne abundantly from June to October. Grows 4-5 m.

### Others (consult labels for size, habit and pruning advice)

- C. heracleifolia 'Cassandra' small, deep-blue, strongly scented, hyacinth-shaped flowers. Stems semi-erect or scrambling from 60-100 cm.
- *C. mandshurica* non-clinging, many small white scented flowers from late summer into early autumn (July September), up to 1.5 m.
- C. 'Paul Farges' SUMMER SNOW<sup>TM</sup> healthy hardy and vigorous, small white flowers throughout summer, up to 7 m, good for use as a screen.
- C. 'Praecox' [C. 'Jouiniana Praecox'] best ground cover clematis, many small creamy violet flowers, easy to grow, up to 4 m.

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# **Recommended Clematis**

The clematis here have been selected because under normal garden conditions they are reliable, easy to grow and do not suffer from common clematis diseases, including wilt.

The names of the clematis in this list conform to the RHS Clematis Register and Checklist 2002. However you may see them for sale with slightly different labels. Some of these are shown within [...], but if in doubt, please ask an assistant.

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