

## Polygala - Growing Guide

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*Milkwort, Snakeroot*

The two species of polygala which we grow have very different characteristics and places in the garden or glasshouse.

*P. chamaebuxus* var. *grandiflora* is a small spreading evergreen shrub with leathery dark green leaves of about 1in length. The flowers are pea-like and appear from the upper leaf axils in April to June. The keels of the pea flowers are purple and the wings are yellow at the ends and white nearer the keels. This is a groundcover plant with an overall height of just 6in or so. It is however fully hardy and suitable for the rock garden or for growing in containers. It does well in a pot in the greenhouse as far as flowering goes but there is no need for it to be kept indoors. Its origin is in the Alps!



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*Polygala myrtifolia*  
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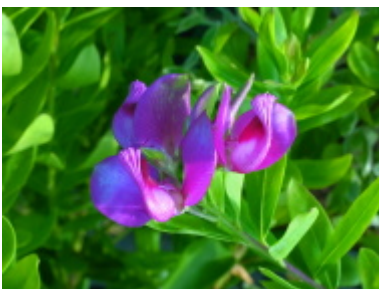
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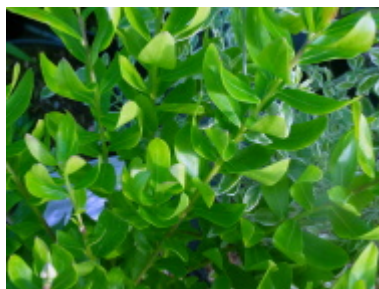
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