## Veronica longifolia 'Pink Eveline' Pink Eveline Speedwell

Veronica longifolia 'Pink Eveline' (Pink Eveline Speedwell) is cherished for its showy spikes of blush pink tubular flowers. Pink Eveline Speedwell is overall compact both in width (1-2') and height (1.5-2'), and has an upright habit. Along the sturdy stems are lance-shaped, dark green leaves that provide texture in spring. The branched, tapering spikes of flowers appear atop each stem. From June to August, the tiny flowers bloom sequentially, beginning at the bottom of each spike and slowly winking upward. The blush pink spikes provide strong vertical form that contrasts with the almost horizontal pairs of leaves along the stem. Blooms attract a wide variety of pollinators. Pink Eveline Speedwell prefers full sun and consistent moisture, but must have well-drained soils. Tolerant of many urban conditions including heat, salt, and herbivore browse. Can be grown in containers and makes great cut flowers.

Botanical Name: Veronica longifolia 'Pink Eveline' Common Name: Pink Eveline Speedwell Family: Plantaginaceae Nativity: Not Native to US USDA Zone: 4 to 8 Light Type: Full Sun to Light Shade Soil Type: Clay, Loam, Sand Soil Preferences: Consistent moisture, but well-drained Soil Moisture: Medium Typical height (ft): 1.5-2' Typical width (ft): 1-2' Foliage: Dark green leaves Bloom Time: June, July, August Bloom: Pale or blush pink Ecological features: Flowers attract bees, butterflies, hummingbirds, and other pollinators Tolerance of: Deer, Rabbit, Salt, Heat, some drought once established Additional notes: Compact, upright plant with profuse spikes of flowers. Very attractive to pollinators. Limited nursery availability Companion plants: Siberian Iris (Iris sibirica), Smooth Blue Aster (Aster laevis), Goldenrod (Solidago spp.), Tufted Hair Grass (Deschampsia cespitosa)

## For more information see:

https://www.gardenia.net/plant/veronica-longifolia-pink-eveline https://www.perennials.com/plants/veronica-longifolia-pink-eveline.html https://www.brecks.com/product/pink-eveline-speedwell

## Images of Veronica longifolia 'Pink Eveline'



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Veronica.Eveline.Pink.2.jpg Flowers open chronologically from the base of the spike upwards

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