

# Mirabilis multiflora

# Colorado/Desert Four O'clock



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| <b>Plant type:</b>         | Perennial            |
| <b>Season of Interest:</b> | Summer to early fall |
| <b>Height:</b> 1-2'        | <b>Spread:</b> 3-6'  |
| <b>Water needs:</b>        | Low, xeric           |
| <b>Native Region:</b>      | CO, AZ, NM, TX, UT   |
| <b>Elevation:</b>          | to 7,500'            |
| <b>Important to know:</b>  | Long season blooms   |



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| <b>Maintenance:</b>     | Low                                             |
| <b>Characteristics:</b> | Showy, fragrant                                 |
| <b>Garden uses:</b>     | Beds/borders, banks/slopes, ground cover        |
| <b>Habitat:</b>         | Semi-desert, foothills, canyons, Pinyon-Juniper |

## Ease of Propagation: Easy

**Propagation:** Sow seeds in situ in the fall or store dry at 40°F. In early March, soak stored seeds in a peroxide soak (1/2 c. tepid water + 1/4 oz. 3% hydrogen peroxide) for 24 hours. Cold stratify in the fridge for 7-8 weeks or sow into cells or small pots, cover to depth and put outside. After the 2 month chilling period, seeds will germinate within 2 weeks.

