

Plant of the Month

September 2023

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Prostanthera magnifica C.A.Gardner



Prostanthera magnifica (Magnificent Prostanthera) is part of the mint family (Lamiaceae) and has sweetly scented leaves when crushed. It is an erect, evergreen shrub growing to about 1.5–2 metres high, and as the name suggests, it's one of the most striking species in the genus. The bright mauve-purple tubular flowers are borne on long terminal spikes and are accentuated by the two large fused red-pink sepals, producing a beautiful, massed display.

The Magnificent Prostanthera prefers granite outcrops and rocky hills from east of Kalbarri to Hospital Rocks west of Menzies. It can be found flowering from August to November.

Photo: R. Davis

[Find out more about Prostanthera magnifica C.A.Gardner \(https://florabase.dbca.wa.gov.au/browse/profile/6919?ref=florabase.ghost.io\).](https://florabase.dbca.wa.gov.au/browse/profile/6919?ref=florabase.ghost.io)

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