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Estabrook's

PINK TURTLEHEAD

LIGHT

Give Chelone lyonii partial shade or sun where moisture is reliable. Too much shade can make tall stems lean.

WATER

Maintain consistently moist soil through the growing season. Water promptly during dry spells; this perennial is suited to damp sites rather than dry borders.

SOIL & PLANTING

Plant in organic-rich, moisture-retentive soil at the nursery depth. Moist beds, rain-garden edges and stream-side gardens suit it. Space according to the tag: Tiny Tortuga stays smaller than many Hot Lips plants.

FEEDING

Use a light compost topdressing if needed. Avoid excessive nitrogen, which encourages weak stems. Additional fertilizer should follow soil-test advice.

SEASONAL CARE

Enjoy the late-summer and fall flowers. Staking may help tall plants in shade. Leave healthy growth until dormancy, then remove dead stems. Divide crowded clumps in cool weather.

HELPFUL TIPS

This guide covers pink turtlehead selections of Chelone lyonii, including Hot Lips and Tiny Tortuga. Maintain air circulation and steady moisture to limit stressed foliage. Do not automatically assign it to every white or pink-flowered Chelone species.