FEATURES:
- A lengthy display of bi-colour blooms in white and lipstick red.
- Ideal variety for containers as well as borders.
- Attracts bird life and pollinators.
- Tolerant of coastal conditions, light frosts and hot dry conditions.

SUGGESTED USES:
- Fast results for new gardens.
- Lengthy colour for mixed borders.
- Large containers or general garden use.

CULTURAL CARE
Grows well in most soil types which are well draining. Dry and frost tolerant once established. Prune after a heavy flowering flush to encourage faster re-bloom and to maintain a neat habit. Apply a slow release fertiliser in spring to improve overall vigour.

Known for their resilience to dry climates and ease of culture, Salvias are a great way to fill the garden with colour almost year round. Including over 900 species they form the largest genus in the mint family (Laminaceae) and certainly almost all will release an aromatic fragrance when the foliage is brushed against or crushed. There are varieties to suit large and small spaces, containers, some for informal hedging or edging, mass planting - in fact there is a salvia for every space and purpose in a landscape. Introduced from Mexico by Strybing Arboretum in 2002, S. ‘Hot Lips’ can produce all white or all red flowers but this is simply a reaction to environmental conditions at the time. The plant will continue to produce predominantly bi-coloured blooms. Ideal companions include S. ‘Caradonna’, Convolvulus SILVERY MOON, Hemerocallis ‘Cranberry Baby’ and Salvia ‘African Sky’ for a sunny border display.