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*Petunia integrifolia*

[Synonyms : *Nierembergia phoenicea*, *Nierembergia punicea*, *Petunia dichotoma*, *Petunia phoenicea*, *Petunia violacea*, *Salpiglossis integrifolia*, *Stimoryne purpurea*]

**VIOLET-FLOWERED PETUNIA** is an annual or perennial subshrub. Native to Argentina it has fragrant, violet throated, violet to red flowers.

It is also known as Brazilian petunia, Petunia, Violetflower petunia, *Violpetunia* (Swedish), and Wild petunia.

The flowers have a vanilla-like (*Vanilla planifolia*) fragrance and are scented particularly at night.

*Integrifolia* is derived from Latin *integer* (entire, whole) and *-folia* (leaved) components meaning ‘with whole or uncut leaves’.

This plant is a parent of many of today’s cultivated ornamental hybrids.

It was discovered in Buenos Aires in 1831 and in the same year introduced to Europe as an ornamental plant.