

The perfect, funnel-shaped flowers are held in a helicoid cyme. They are pink in bud, opening to shades of blue (some plants will produce white or all pink flowers).



Virginia bluebells grow in a mounded shape. Height is about 1.5 feet tall.



*Mertensia virginica*

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The fruits are schizocarps, nestled down in the persistent calyx (arrow). The long style of the flower can still be seen in this photo.



The alternate leaves grow up to 8 inches long, with an oval shape. Petioles are generally winged.

