

# STREPTOCARPUS, CAPE PRIMROSE

*Streptocarpus* is Greek for twisted fruit.

**Botanical Name** *Streptocarpus* spp. and hybrids

**Ethylene Sensitivity** Yes

**Interior Light** 100-200 foot candles or higher

**Storage** 55-60°F. Storage time is three days.

**Purchasing Hints** Plants should have 25 percent of flowers open and others showing color at time of sale.

**Consumer Life** Two weeks

**Special Concerns** The species is very sensitive to ethylene and chilling. Plants with fewer and younger flowers are especially sensitive to ethylene.

**Additional Information** *Streptocarpus* flowers come in various colors including purple, white, rose, red and pink. They are related to African violets and gloxinia.