# Lakeshore Garden Centres

## **Meadow Phlox**

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Meadow Phlox Phlox maculata

Height: 30 inches Spread: 24 inches Spacing: 20 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 3a

#### **Ornamental Features**

Meadow Phlox features bold fragrant conical lilac purple star-shaped flowers at the ends of the stems from late spring to mid summer. Its glossy grassy leaves remain dark green in colour throughout the season.

#### Landscape Attributes

Meadow Phlox is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Meadow Phlox is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens

### **Planting & Growing**

Meadow Phlox will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 20 inches apart. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is native to parts of North America. It can be propagated by division.



Meadow Phlox flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder