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# **Unique Lilac Calibrachoa**

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# Unique Lilac Calibrachoa Calibrachoa 'Unique Lilac'

Hardiness Zone: (annual)
Other Names: Mini Petunia

Group/Class: Unique Series Series

#### **Description:**

A charming mounded series with trailing tendencies, ideal for patio containers and hanging baskets; well branched with uniform growth and flowering time; presents bright and vivid blooms over small green foliage; deadhead to encourage new growth

#### **Ornamental Features**

Unique Lilac Calibrachoa is draped in stunning light green trumpet-shaped flowers with yellow throats at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall. Its small pointy leaves remain green in colour throughout the season.

## **Landscape Attributes**

Unique Lilac Calibrachoa is a dense herbaceous annual with a mounded form. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.



Unique Lilac Calibrachoa flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Unique Lilac Calibrachoa in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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Unique Lilac Calibrachoa is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

### **Planting & Growing**

Unique Lilac Calibrachoa will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 14 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 10 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.



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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. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Unique Lilac Calibrachoa is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.