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Nepeta x faassenii 'Angel's Wings'

Plant Height: 6 inches

Flower Height: 8 inches

Spread: 14 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Description:

This dense, compact, rounded variety tends to keep its shape all season long; small, variegated gray-green leaves with white margins are topped with spikes of violet-blue flowers; looks great all season in beds and borders



Angel's Wings Catmint flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Angel's Wings Catmint has masses of beautiful spikes of lightly-scented violet flowers with blue overtones and purple calyces rising above the foliage from early summer to early fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. Its attractive small fragrant pointy leaves remain grayish green in color with distinctive white edges throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Angel's Wings Catmint is a dense herbaceous perennial with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Self-Seeding

Angel's Wings Catmint is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

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Planting & Growing

Angel's Wings Catmint will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 8 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 14 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a fast 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 is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. 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 division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Angel's Wings Catmint is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage 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.