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### **Danova Blue Primrose**



## Danova Blue Primrose Primula acaulis 'Danova Blue'

Hardiness Zone: 5a

#### **Description:**

This variety features clusters of elegant deep blue flowers with warm golden centers nestled above dark green foliage for striking contrast; an illuminating display in containers or borders; uniform, compact mounded habit; suitable as a houseplant



Danova Blue Primrose flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Danova Blue Primrose features delicate clusters of royal blue round flowers with gold eyes rising above the foliage from early spring to early fall. Its oval leaves remain dark green in color throughout the year.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Danova Blue Primrose is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with a mounded form. 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.

Danova Blue Primrose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

#### **Planting & Growing**

Danova Blue Primrose will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 7 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 8 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 5 years. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

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This plant does best in partial shade to 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 somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in both summer and winter to conserve soil moisture and protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Danova Blue Primrose 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.