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## **Blue Note Blue-Eyed Grass**



# Blue Note Blue-Eyed Grass Sisyrinchium angustifolium 'Blue Note'

Height: 18 inches
Spread: 12 inches
Spacing: 12 inches
Sunlight: O 

Hardiness Zone: 4a

## **Description:**

Charming clusters of dainty violet-blue flowers right above dense tufts of narrow, grass-like foliage; gently spreading yet staying compact, ideal for late spring borders, rock gardens or in containers; easy to grow and maintain

#### **Ornamental Features**

Blue Note Blue-Eyed Grass has masses of beautiful violet star-shaped flowers with blue overtones and lemon yellow eyes at the ends of the stems from late spring to early summer, which are most effective when planted in groupings. Its glossy narrow leaves remain light green in color throughout the season.

## Landscape Attributes

Blue Note Blue-Eyed Grass is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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 is a high maintenance plant that will require regular care and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds 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

Blue Note Blue-Eyed Grass is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting



Blue Note Blue-Eyed Grass in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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## **Planting & Growing**

Blue Note Blue-Eyed Grass will grow to be about 14 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 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 dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. 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 prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selection of a native North American species. 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.

Blue Note Blue-Eyed Grass 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 against which the larger 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.