## **Stonegate Gardens**

### **Big Falls Dark Blue Bacopa**

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Big Falls Dark Blue Bacopa Sutera cordata 'Big Falls Dark Blue'

Height: 12 inches Spread: 12 inches Spacing: 10 inches Sunlight: **O** Hardiness Zone: (annual) Group/Class: Big Falls Series

#### **Ornamental Features**

Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Big Falls Dark Blue Bacopa flowers

Big Falls Dark Blue Bacopa is covered in stunning sky blue star-shaped flowers with violet overtones and gold eyes along the stems from mid spring to late fall. Its small serrated round leaves remain green in color throughout the year.

#### Landscape Attributes

Big Falls Dark Blue Bacopa is an herbaceous annual with a trailing habit of growth, eventually spilling over the edges of hanging baskets and containers. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Big Falls Dark Blue Bacopa is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

#### **Planting & Growing**

Big Falls Dark Blue Bacopa will grow to be about 12 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 10 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

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This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. 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 highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Big Falls Dark Blue Bacopa is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. Because of its trailing habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.