Stonegate Gardens

Angie Blue Pimpernel

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Angie Blue Pimpernel Anagallis monelli 'Angie Blue'

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Flax Leaf Pimpernel, Mediterranean

Pimpernel

Description:

This variety shows off with one of the brightest, truest blues in nature; stunning blue star flowers from spring until fall on a nicely mounded plant; excellent for containers and baskets



Angie Blue Pimpernel flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Angie Blue Pimpernel is bathed in stunning blue star-shaped flowers with hot pink eyes and yellow anthers along the stems from early spring to mid fall. Its pointy leaves remain grayish green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Angie Blue Pimpernel is an 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 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 bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Angie Blue Pimpernel is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Angie Blue Pimpernel will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. 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 does best in full sun to partial shade. 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, and parts of it are known to be toxic to humans and animals, so care should be exercised in planting it around children and pets.

Angie Blue Pimpernel 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.