# **Stonegate Gardens**

### **Honey Metallic Blue Nemesia**

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## Honey Metallic Blue Nemesia Nemesia 'Honey Metallic Blue'

Height: 14 inches
Spread: 10 inches
Spacing: 8 inches
Sunlight: •

Hardiness Zone: (annual)
Group/Class: Honey Series

### **Description:**

This variety features beautiful blue flowers that are perfect for gardens, hanging baskets and patio containers; these long blooming plants are low maintenance; attracts butterflies; performs best in cool

weather



Honey Metallic Blue Nemesia flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Honey Metallic Blue Nemesia features dainty lightly-scented blue pea-like flowers with silvery blue overtones and yellow eyes at the ends of the stems from mid spring to mid fall. Its small pointy leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Honey Metallic Blue Nemesia is a dense herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Honey Metallic Blue Nemesia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

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#### **Planting & Growing**

Honey Metallic Blue Nemesia will grow to be about 14 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 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 dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

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 somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. 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.

Honey Metallic Blue Nemesia 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 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.