

# Stonegate Gardens

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## Popstars Blue Phlox



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*Phlox 'Popstars Blue'*

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 16 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

#### Description:

This well branched variety features stunning purple-blue star shaped blooms; these unique looking flowers are perfect for adding a flare to hanging baskets, patio containers and landscapes; heat tolerant and low maintenance

#### Ornamental Features

Popstars Blue Phlox is smothered in stunning fragrant violet star-shaped flowers with white overtones, yellow eyes and a purple ring at the ends of the stems from late spring to late summer. Its narrow leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

#### Landscape Attributes

Popstars Blue Phlox is a dense 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 plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Popstars Blue Phlox is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



*Popstars Blue Phlox flowers*  
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*Popstars Blue Phlox in bloom*  
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### Planting & Growing

Popstars Blue Phlox will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 16 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. This 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 prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. 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 particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. 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.

Popstars Blue Phlox 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.