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## Vertigo Deep Blue Torenia



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*Torenia fournieri* 'Vertigo Deep Blue'

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 10 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Wishbone Flower

Group/Class: Vertigo Series

#### Description:

A compact mounded series presenting beautiful deep blue flowers with sky blue and yellow centers, rising above green glossy foliage; an excellent addition to hanging baskets, patio containers and garden landscapes; heat tolerant and easy to grow

#### Ornamental Features

Vertigo Deep Blue Torenia features showy royal blue tubular flowers with sky blue overtones, yellow throats and a yellow flare held atop the stems from late spring to early fall. Its small glossy pointy leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

#### Landscape Attributes

Vertigo Deep Blue Torenia is an herbaceous annual with a mounded form. 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 is a good choice for attracting bees and hummingbirds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Vertigo Deep Blue Torenia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



*Vertigo Deep Blue Torenia* flowers  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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### Planting & Growing

Vertigo Deep Blue Torenia will grow to be about 10 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 12 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. 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 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.

Vertigo Deep Blue Torenia 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.