# **Stonegate Gardens**

# **Lavender Mist Sun Daisy**

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## Lavender Mist® Sun Daisy Osteospermum 'P006S'

Plant Height: 8 inches
Flower Height: 12 inches

Spread: 15 inches Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Other Names: African Daisy, Cape Daisy

### **Description:**

This vigorous, hardy selection produces white blooms that mature to soft lavender from mid-spring to summer, above a neat mat of nearly succulent, deep green foliage; a compact habit makes them ideal for beds and containers



Lavender Mist Sun Daisy flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

## **Ornamental Features**

Lavender Mist Sun Daisy is covered in stunning white daisy flowers with gold eyes at the ends of the stems from mid spring to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its narrow leaves remain dark green in color throughout the season.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Lavender Mist Sun Daisy is an herbaceous perennial 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 is a good choice for attracting butterflies 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.

Lavender Mist Sun Daisy is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

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### **Planting & Growing**

Lavender Mist Sun Daisy will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity extending to 12 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 15 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. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in poor soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Lavender Mist Sun Daisy 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.