# **Golden Acre Home & Garden**

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## SuperBlue Lavender



# SuperBlue Lavender Lavandula angustifolia 'SuperBlue'

Height: 12 inches Spread: 12 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Super Blue English Lavender, Common Lavender

## **Description:**

With its aromatic foliage that is green, with a silvery-bluish cast, and large spikes of blue-violet flowers, this variety is excellent for borders and edging in a sunny spot

#### **Ornamental Features**

SuperBlue Lavender has masses of beautiful spikes of fragrant violet flowers with blue overtones rising above the foliage from early to late summer, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has attractive bluish-green evergreen foliage. The fragrant narrow leaves are highly ornamental and remain bluish-green throughout the winter.

### **Landscape Attributes**

SuperBlue Lavender is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a mounded form. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and can be pruned at anytime. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies 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.

SuperBlue Lavender is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



SuperBlue Lavender flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



SuperBlue Lavender in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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## **Planting & Growing**

SuperBlue Lavender will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This shrub 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. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for alkaline soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. 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.

SuperBlue Lavender makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.