## Golden Acre Home & Garden

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# **Bambini Lucky Lilac Dwarf Garden Phlox**



## Bambini® Lucky Lilac Dwarf Garden Phlox Phlox paniculata 'Versluck'

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Summer Phlox Group/Class: Bambini Series

### **Description:**

Long lasting, fragrant lilac-pink flowers from early summer until fall; excellent compact branching, with flowers in abundance all season; suitable for containers, perennial borders or mass planting; good mildew resistance



Bambini Lucky Lilac Dwarf Garden Phlox flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Bambini Lucky Lilac Dwarf Garden Phlox features bold fragrant conical lilac purple star-shaped flowers with pink centers at the ends of the stems from early summer to early fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its pointy leaves remain emerald green in colour throughout the season.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Bambini Lucky Lilac Dwarf Garden Phlox is a dense herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Disease

Bambini Lucky Lilac Dwarf Garden Phlox is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

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### **Planting & Growing**

Bambini Lucky Lilac Dwarf Garden Phlox will grow to be about 8 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. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 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 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 highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selection of a native North American species. 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.

Bambini Lucky Lilac Dwarf Garden Phlox is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. 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. 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.