Lavender Lace Hebe

Hebe 'Lavender Lace'

Lavender Lace Hebe flowers
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Height: 5 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 8a

Other Names: Boulder Lake Hebe, Shrubby Veronica

Description:

A lovely, upright, open evergreen shrub with dark red stems and narrow, deep green glossy leaves; lavender flowers that mature to white are impressive when massed; will tolerate some mild frost; performs well in coastal conditions

Ornamental Features

Lavender Lace Hebe has masses of beautiful corymbs of lavender star-shaped flowers rising above the foliage from late summer to mid fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. It has attractive dark green evergreen foliage. The glossy narrow leaves are highly ornamental and remain dark green throughout the winter. The dark red branches add an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Lavender Lace Hebe is an open multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting birds, bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Lavender Lace Hebe is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Lavender Lace Hebe will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It has a low canopy, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. To help this plant achive its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Lavender Lace Hebe makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. 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.