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Stardiva® Blue Fan Flower *Scaevola aemula 'Stardiva Blue'*

Plant Height: 4 inches

Flower Height: 8 inches

Spread: 14 inches

Spacing: 14 inches

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

A stunning star-shaped fan-flower, creating a larger and fuller appearance; violet blue flowers with white eyes and yellow centers attract pollinators to patio containers, garden beds or borders; mounded habit with trailing tendencies

Ornamental Features

Stardiva Blue Fan Flower features dainty violet star-shaped flowers with white eyes and yellow centers along the stems from mid spring to late summer. Its small serrated oval leaves remain dark green in colour throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Stardiva Blue Fan Flower 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. 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 bees to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Stardiva Blue Fan Flower is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Stardiva Blue Fan Flower flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Stardiva Blue Fan Flower in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Stardiva Blue Fan Flower will grow to be only 4 inches tall at maturity extending to 8 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 14 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 14 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any 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 or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. 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.

Stardiva Blue Fan Flower 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.