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Sentimental Blue Balloon Flower

Platycodon grandiflorus "Sentimental Blue"

Platycodon grandiflorus "Sentimental Blue" flowers
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Height: 8 inches

Spread: 8 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 3

Description:

A sturdy dwarf variety with abundant balloon-shaped buds opening to a rich violet blue flower with darker viens; great for massing along the border

Ornamental Features:

Sentimental Blue Balloon Flower features beautiful spikes of blue bell-shaped flowers rising above the foliage from early to late summer, which emerge from distinctive violet flower buds, and which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It's narrow leaves remain dark green in color throughout the season. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

Landscape Attributes:

Sentimental Blue Balloon Flower is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance perennial, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Sentimental Blue Balloon Flower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Plant Characteristics:

Sentimental Blue Balloon Flower will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 inches. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

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This perennial does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution.

This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.