Button Beauty Brazilian Bachelor's Button

Centratherum intermedium 'Button Beauty'

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Annual Bachelor's Button

Description:

Green, toothed foliage makes a great background for the curiously fringed violet-blue flowers; adaptable to most sites with regular watering, and stunning when massed; loved by butterflies



Button Beauty Brazilian Bachelor's Button flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Button Beauty Brazilian Bachelor's Button features unusual lavender lacecap flowers with violet centers at the ends of the stems from early summer to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive serrated oval leaves remain green in color throughout the season.



Button Beauty Brazilian Bachelor's Button in bloom
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Landscape Attributes

Button Beauty Brazilian Bachelor's Button is an herbaceous annual 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 is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Disease

Button Beauty Brazilian Bachelor's Button is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Button Beauty Brazilian Bachelor's Button will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. 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 should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. 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 selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Button Beauty Brazilian Bachelor's Button is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting 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 growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.