Delta Blues™ Chaste Tree

Vitex agnus-castus 'PIIVAC-I'

Height: 8 feet

Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 6

Description:

An intermediate sized selection featuring fragrant, dark bluish-purple flower spikes in late summer; dark green foliage is refined and fragrant; rounded, upright habit tends to keep its density; very adaptable and salt tolerant

Ornamental Features

Delta Blues Chaste Tree has panicles of fragrant purple flowers with blue overtones rising above the foliage from late summer to early fall. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The fragrant palmate leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Delta Blues Chaste Tree is an open multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Delta Blues Chaste Tree is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



Delta Blues Chaste Tree flowers
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Delta Blues Chaste Tree in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Delta Blues Chaste Tree will grow to be about 8 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 feet. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under average home landscape conditions. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for xeriscaping or the moisture-conserving landscape. 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, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.



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