Hot+ Aqua Lobelia

Lobelia 'Hot Plus Aqua'



Hot+ Aqua Lobelia flowers
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Height: 12 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Hot+ Series

Description:

A wonderful heat tolerant and uniform series, showing excellent performance in garden beds and containers; heavy basal branching and long season flowering; larger, brighter and more vibrant blooms are presented over small green foliage

Ornamental Features

Hot+ Aqua Lobelia is covered in stunning aqua bluish-green flowers with powder blue overtones at the ends of the stems from early spring to early fall. Its narrow leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Hot+ Aqua Lobelia is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Hot+ Aqua Lobelia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Hot+ Aqua Lobelia will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. 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.

Hot+ Aqua Lobelia 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 larger 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.