Vase Flower

Clematis hirsutissima



Vase Flower flowers
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Height: 12 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 2

Other Names: Hairy Clematis, Sugarbowl

Description:

Upright growth habit featuring tall stems with nodding violet-blue bell shaped flowers during the early to mid spring months; a beautiful addition to garden landscapes and borders; easy to grow and low maintenance

Ornamental Features

Vase Flower features delicate nodding navy blue bell-shaped flowers with violet overtones at the ends of the stems from early to mid spring. Its tomentose ferny compound leaves remain grayish green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Vase Flower is an herbaceous perennial 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 be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Vase Flower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Vase Flower will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 8 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

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 may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is native to parts of North America.