Indigo Frost Foamy Bells

Heucherella 'Indigo Frost'



Indigo Frost Foamy Bells foliage
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Height: 9 inches

Spread: 8 inches

Spacing: 8 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

A striking, small and compact selection featuring mounds of dark purple foliage with silver overtones; delicate white bell flowers appear from pink buds in the spring and summer; a perfect choice for fairy gardens, mixed containers, and borders

Ornamental Features

Indigo Frost Foamy Bells features dainty spikes of white bell-shaped flowers rising above the foliage from late spring to early summer, which emerge from distinctive pink flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive glossy lobed leaves remain deep purple in color with hints of silver throughout the year.

Landscape Attributes

Indigo Frost Foamy Bells is a dense herbaceous evergreen perennial with a mounded form. 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 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.

Indigo Frost Foamy Bells is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Indigo Frost Foamy Bells will grow to be about 7 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 8 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant performs well in both full sun and full shade. 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. 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 type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider covering it with a thick layer of mulch in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. 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.

Indigo Frost Foamy Bells is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage against which the 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.