# **Plant Finder**





Emerald Clustered Bellflower Campanula glomerata 'Emerald'

Plant Height: 14 inches Flower Height: 20 inches Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 14 inches

Sunlight: O O

Hardiness Zone: 3a

### **Description:**

Striking clusters of star-shaped bellflowers in shades of sky blue and lilac, on plum colored stems; fresh, bright green foliage provides the perfect backdrop; great for beds or borders, reliable and easy to grow; deadhead to encourage reblooming



Emerald Clustered Bellflower flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Emerald Clustered Bellflower features showy clusters of sky blue bell-shaped flowers with white overtones and lilac purple tips at the ends of the stems from late spring to mid summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its tomentose oval leaves remain green in color throughout the season. The plum purple stems can be quite attractive.

#### Landscape Attributes

Emerald Clustered Bellflower is an herbaceous perennial 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 should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Emerald Clustered Bellflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting

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## **Planting & Growing**

Emerald Clustered Bellflower will grow to be about 14 inches tall at maturity extending to 20 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 18 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 14 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. 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 prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for alkaline soils. 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.

Emerald Clustered Bellflower 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. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.