Lavandula pedunculata Sensation TM Blue

Common Name	Spanish Lavender
Height	, Miniature Growing (up to 1.5m)
Spread	, Narrow (up to 1m)
Growing Conditions	Coastal Conditions, Drought Tolerant, Full Sun, Low to No Irrigation, Low Maintenance, Low Water Use, No Irrigation, Tolerates Light Frost, Tolerates Dryness, Well Drained, Wind Tolerant

Profile

A beautiful upright, bushy Lavender to 75cm. The fragrant flowers are deep purple blue with soft lavender wings that are held above silver grey aromatic foliage in Autumn, Winter and Spring. Tolerant of light frosts and humid conditions.

Sensation Lavenders are tolerant of a wide range of conditions and can be grown Australia wide. They are tolerant of light frosts and moist humid conditions.

Uses

Container displays, Small informal hedges, Providing colour in Xeriscapes , Encourages butterflies, bees, other beneficial insects and birds, Borders, Containers, Exotic, Foliage, Fragrance, Scented Flowers, Shrubs, Standard

Planting

Full sun

Soil must be open and free draining. Increase calcium availability if required using gypsum, not lime.

Sensation lavenders are intolerant of heavy or waterlogged soils. Improve drainage if necessary using well rotted organic matter or raised beds.

Space plants 30cm apart for a hedge or border

Dig the planting hole twice the width and depth of the pot that is being planted. Backfill with topsoil that has been improved with organic matter. Make sure that the rootball sits no lower than the surrounding soil.

Care

Lavender are very drought tolerant once established however moderate watering for the first few months after planting will encourage stronger more vigorous plants.

Mulching is important to protect surface roots from extremes of temperature and helps to retain soil moisture. Mulch should be applied over the soil to 10cm deep. Keep mulch 5cm-10cm away from the base of the plant so as not to impede airflow which may lead to an increase in pest and disease problems.

Lightly trim after flowering by removing spent blooms.

Fertilise in spring using a good quality complete plant food.

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