Lavender, (English) Big Time Blue

Lavandula angustifolia 'Armtipp01'



Lavender, (English) Big Time Blue flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Plant Height: 16 inches

Flower Height: 22 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Other Names: English Lavender, Common Lavender

Description:

Long lasting and large, purplish-blue blooms on compact plants, from spring to late summer; dense, silvery, gray-green foliage is very aromatic; a perfect choice for edging or massing in the garden

Ornamental Features

Lavender, (English) Big Time Blue has masses of beautiful spikes of fragrant lavender flowers with purple overtones rising above the foliage from late spring to late summer, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has attractive grayish green foliage with hints of silver. The fragrant needles are highly ornamental and turn coppery-bronze in the fall, which persists throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Lavender, (English) Big Time Blue is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a mounded form. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and can be pruned at anytime. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Lavender, (English) Big Time Blue is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Lavender, (English) Big Time Blue will grow to be about 16 inches tall at maturity extending to 22 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 24 inches. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average conditions that are neither too wet nor too dry, and is very intolerant of standing water. To help this plant achive its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for alkaline soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. 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.

Lavender, (English) Big Time Blue makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.