



Fuji Blue Balloon Flower
Platycodon grandiflorus 'Fuji Blue'

Plant Height: 18 inches

Flower Height: 3 feet

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 15 inches

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Description:

Ballon-like buds swell and open in the garden to large, bell-shaped lavender-blue flowers with clearly defined darker veins; an excellent bedding or container plant

Ornamental Features

Fuji Blue Balloon Flower has masses of beautiful spikes of blue bell-shaped flowers with violet overtones, creamy white eyes and purple veins rising above the foliage from late spring to mid summer, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its narrow leaves remain dark green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Fuji Blue Balloon Flower is an herbaceous perennial with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Fuji Blue Balloon Flower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



Fuji Blue Balloon Flower flowers
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Fuji Blue Balloon Flower in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Fuji Blue Balloon Flower will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity extending to 3 feet 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 15 inches apart. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 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 or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Fuji Blue Balloon Flower is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used 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.

Sizes Available:

4.5" CONT \$6.99