Manati® Deep Blue Ground Morning Glory

Convolvulus sabatius 'Manati Deep Blue'



Manati Deep Blue Ground Morning Glory flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 8b

Other Names: Blue Rock Bindweed, Convolvulus mauritanicus

Description:

A wonderful evergreen perennial displaying volumes of pretty sky blue trumpets all season long; tolerates drought once established; a great addition to patio containers, hanging baskets or rock gardens; will tolerate clay if not over watered



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Ornamental Features

Manati Deep Blue Ground Morning Glory features showy sky blue trumpet-shaped flowers with yellow throats along the branches from mid spring to early fall. It has green evergreen foliage. The fuzzy round leaves remain green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Manati Deep Blue Ground Morning Glory is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a mounded form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Manati Deep Blue Ground Morning Glory is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

Planting & Growing

Manati Deep Blue Ground Morning Glory will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Manati Deep Blue Ground Morning Glory makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the thriller plants stand out. 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.