Miniature Morning Glory

Convolvulus sabatius



Miniature Morning Glory flowers
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Miniature Morning Glory in bloom
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Height: 24 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 7b

Description:

A wonderful evergreen perennial displaying volumes of pretty lilac and white trumpets all season long; tolerates drought once established; a great groundcover shrub or colorful addition to the rock garden; will tolerate clay if not over watered

Ornamental Features

Miniature Morning Glory features showy lilac purple trumpet-shaped flowers with white throats and purple veins along the branches from early summer to early fall. It has grayish green evergreen foliage. The fuzzy round leaves remain grayish green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Miniature 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.

Miniature Morning Glory is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Miniature Morning Glory will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. 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 prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. 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 species is not originally from North America.

Miniature Morning Glory 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. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. 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.