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Genti Blue Clustered Bellflower Campanula glomerata 'Allgentibl'

Height: 16 inches Spread: 18 inches Spacing: 16 inches Sunlight: O O

Hardiness Zone: 4

## **Description:**

A mounded, compact variety producing clusters of star-shaped, violet-blue bell-shaped flowers on a tidy plant; great for containers, small beds, rock gardens, and along border fronts; prefers moist soil

## **Ornamental Features**

Genti Blue Clustered Bellflower features showy clusters of violet bell-shaped flowers with blue overtones at the ends of the stems from late spring to early summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its tomentose pointy leaves remain dark green in color throughout the season.



Genti Blue Clustered Bellflower flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

## Landscape Attributes

Genti Blue Clustered Bellflower is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting hummingbirds 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.

Genti Blue Clustered Bellflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting

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## **Planting & Growing**

Genti Blue Clustered Bellflower will grow to be about 14 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 16 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 8 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, but has a definite preference for acidic soils. 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.

Genti Blue Clustered Bellflower is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.