

Hardy Ageratum Botanical name: *Eupatorium coelestinum*



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Description: Eastern US native sports dense clusters of blue/violet, or white flowers. It may spread rapidly by rhizome. At least one online report of aggressiveness in loose soil, not a problem for us, suggest a 6-8" rhizome barrier for formal gardens (4" almost worked for us). Recommended as a native nectar source. Stunning in mass planting.

Fares quite well in clay soil, not too demanding for sun, deer hardy pest free, vigorous grower.

Common names: Hardy Ageratum, Blue Mistflower,

Family: Asteraceae

Sun Exposure: Sun to Partial Shade

Height: 18-24"

Bloom Color: These are powder blue to violet or white and fluffy in appearance late summer into fall. The blooms are similar in appearance to the annual Ageratum.

Soil: Adaptable, tolerates clay, prefers damp soil in shade, will grow in sun if soil moisture is maintained.

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