



FlashForward<sup>™</sup> Blue Petunia Petunia 'FlashForward Blue'

Height: 10 inches Spread: 24 inches Spacing: 16 inches Sunlight: **O** Hardiness Zone: (annual) Group/Class: FlashForward Series

## **Description:**

A wonderful extra early flowering and fast growing variety that blooms freely all season; these tidy spreading petunias produces masses of miniature blue blooms that look stunning in hanging baskets, combination planters and borders

## **Ornamental Features**

FlashForward Blue Petunia is blanketed in stunning blue trumpet-shaped flowers at the ends of the stems from mid spring to late summer. Its narrow leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

## Landscape Attributes

FlashForward Blue Petunia is a dense herbaceous annual with a ground-hugging 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. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees and 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.

FlashForward Blue Petunia is recommended for the following landscape applications;



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- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

## **Planting & Growing**

FlashForward Blue Petunia will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 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 low and dense right to the ground. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

FlashForward Blue Petunia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.