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Karoo Violet Ice Nemesia

Nemesia 'Karoo Violet Ice'

Height: 8 inches

Spread: 10 inches

Spacing: 10 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Karoo Series

Description:

Well branched with a neat, compact habit, ideal for containers, hanging baskets and borders; fragrant, eye-catching blooms sit above lush green foliage; a long bloomer that adds color throughout the season; deadhead to encourage new blooms



Karoo Violet Ice Nemesia flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Karoo Violet Ice Nemesia features dainty spikes of lightly-scented violet pea-like flowers with white overtones, yellow eyes and a indigo flare at the ends of the stems from late spring to late summer. Its small serrated pointy leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Karoo Violet Ice Nemesia is a dense herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

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 butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Karoo Violet Ice Nemesia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



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Planting & Growing

Karoo Violet Ice Nemesia will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 10 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 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 may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone over the growing season to conserve soil moisture. 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.

Karoo Violet Ice Nemesia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting 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 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.

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