



Filigree™ Clematis Clematis 'Evipo029'

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Group/Class: Flora Collection

## **Description:**

This extraordinary, ultra compact, miniature variety is free flowering with large silvery-blue to pale lilac flowers; perfect for containers and even hanging baskets, or allowed to spread in a small garden; a great conversation piece

## **Ornamental Features**

Filigree Clematis features delicate semi-double silvery blue star-shaped flowers with lilac purple overtones and creamy white eyes at the ends of the stems from late spring to mid summer. Its compound leaves remain green in colour throughout the season.

## Landscape Attributes

Filigree Clematis is an herbaceous perennial vine with a twining and trailing 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 is a relatively low maintenance plant. It is a Type 2 clematis, which means it will bloom primarily on old wood of the previous season, with a second flush later in summer. Dead and weak vines should be removed in late winter, and remaining vines should be trimmed back to the first buds that are seen to remove dead stems. It is a good choice for attracting hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Filigree Clematis is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets



Filigree Clematis flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



## **Planting & Growing**

Filigree Clematis will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. As a climbing vine, it should either be planted near a fence, trellis or other landscape structure where it can be trained to grow upwards on it, or allowed to trail off a retaining wall or slope. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 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 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 somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in both summer and winter to conserve soil moisture and protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Filigree Clematis 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.