



Delphina™ Dark Blue White Bee Larkspur
Delphinium 'Delphina Dark Blue White Bee'

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 10 inches

Spacing: 8 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Group/Class: Delphina Series

Description:

A naturally compact selection presenting elegant dark blue flowers with a white bee; dense flower spikes with strong stems and excellent uniformity; ideal for beds; first year flowering

Ornamental Features

Delphina Dark Blue White Bee Larkspur features bold spikes of deep purple flowers with blue overtones and white centers rising above the foliage from early to mid summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its deeply cut lobed leaves remain dark green in colour throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Delphina Dark Blue White Bee Larkspur is an herbaceous perennial with a rigidly upright and towering form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Disease

Delphina Dark Blue White Bee Larkspur is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



*Delphina Dark Blue White Bee
Larkspur flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

Planting & Growing

Delphina Dark Blue White Bee Larkspur will grow to be about 14 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 8 inches apart. It tends to be leggy, with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and should be underplanted with lower-growing perennials. The flower stalks can be weak and so it may require staking in exposed sites or excessively rich soils. 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 prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. To help this plant achieve its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid, and parts of it are known to be toxic to humans and animals, so care should be exercised in planting it around children and pets. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.