

**Tuscany® Lavender Picotee Verbena***Verbena 'Tuscany Lavender Picotee'*

Height: 10 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: 

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Vervain

Group/Class: Tuscany Series

Description:

A wonderful vigorous upright variety perfect for containers, beds or borders; large, showy flowers of lavender and white are presented over small, green foliage; an easy to grow selection, requiring minimal maintenance; excellent for cut flower displays



*Tuscany Lavender Picotee Verbena
flowers*

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Ornamental Features

Tuscany Lavender Picotee Verbena features showy clusters of lavender star-shaped flowers with white overtones at the ends of the stems from late spring to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its tiny narrow leaves remain green in colour throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Tuscany Lavender Picotee Verbena is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

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 butterflies 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.

Tuscany Lavender Picotee Verbena is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Tuscany Lavender Picotee Verbena will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. 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 type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. 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.

Tuscany Lavender Picotee Verbena 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.