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# Pearl Light Blue Bellflower\* Campanula carpatica 'Pearl Light Blue'

Hardiness Zone: 2a

Other Names: Carpathian Harebell, Carpathian Bellflower

### **Description:**

Soft, pale purple-blue bells cover compact mounds of foliage; the most compact habit of this species, it makes a robust rock garden specimen and thrives in well drained, sunny areas

#### **Ornamental Features**

Pearl Light Blue Bellflower is blanketed in stunning powder blue bell-shaped flowers at the ends of the stems from late spring to late summer. Its round leaves remain dark green in color throughout the season.



Pearl Light Blue Bellflower flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

## **Landscape Attributes**

Pearl Light Blue Bellflower is a dense herbaceous perennial with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Pearl Light Blue Bellflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



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## **Planting & Growing**

Pearl Light Blue Bellflower will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 inches. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 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 is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. 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. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone over the growing season to conserve soil moisture. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Pearl Light Blue Bellflower is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the 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.

\* This is a 'special order' plant - contact store for details