

## **GREEN ACRE FARM & NURSERY**



Serena® Mixture Angelonia Angelonia angustifolia 'Serena Mixture'

Height: 20 inches Spread: 14 inches Spacing: 10 inches Sunlight: **O** Hardiness Zone: (annual) Other Names: Summer Snapdragon Group/Class: Serena Series **Description:** 



Serena Mixture Angelonia in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

A beautiful variety showcasing delicate looking lavender, pink and white flowers on sturdy stems and green, fragrant foliage; heat and drought tolerant; gorgeous as borders, in containers or added to fresh cut flower arrangements

### **Ornamental Features**

Serena Mixture Angelonia has masses of beautiful spikes of lavender pea-like flowers with pink overtones rising above the foliage from late spring to early fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its small fragrant narrow leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

#### Landscape Attributes

Serena Mixture Angelonia is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading 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 plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. 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.

Serena Mixture Angelonia is recommended for the following landscape applications;



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

### **Planting & Growing**

Serena Mixture Angelonia will grow to be about 16 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 14 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 10 inches apart. 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. 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. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Serena Mixture Angelonia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.