



'BLUE SPIRES'() PLECTRANTHUS PARVIFLORUS

INFO NOTE

Key Benefits

Derived from the Australia native species *Plectranthus parviflorus*, 'Blue Spires' (D) has rounded felty green leaves with a creamy white edge and produces spires of pale blue to violet flowers from spring through autumn. It has a clumping habit growing to around 40cm high x 30cm wide. It is a versatile waterwise plant that is heat and dry tolerant, which will grow in full sun right through to full shade. It is easily grown and managed and combines happily with both native and exotic plantings.

Origin Plectranthus parviflorus is an east coast Australian native and 'Blue Spires' (D) was bred by a Queensland native plant enthusiast. It was selected for its variegated foliage and compact neat growth.

Uses 'Blue Spires' (D is a useful landscaping plant, and as ground cover under taller shrubs and trees will add interest to the garden, whether in sun or shade. It can be pruned to a neat shape at any time of the year. In courtyards and patios it can be planted in decorator pots, looking particularly striking in black, burgundy, red and blue pots.

Care All *Plectranthus* are easy to grow and care for, and 'Blue Spires' (D is no different. With no noticeable pests and diseases it is a gardener's dream plant to grow. Prepare the garden bed by digging in humus material and mulch after planting. In decorator pots use a top quality potting media, water as needed making sure the root zone does not dry out. Pruning is best done in warmer months if needed. Once or twice a year apply a complete fertiliser as liquid or slow release.



Aussie Winners® Plectranthus parviflorus 'Blue Spires' (D will be available from good garden centres in all states. Look for them in the distinctive silver coloured pots printed with the AW logo. It is protected by the Plant Breeders Rights Act Australia 1994. Commercial propagation prohibited. For additional information and stockists contact Aussie Winners on (07) 3206 7676. For media inquiries contact Helen Moody, PR consultant to Aussie Winners, phone (02) 9420 9919; email hmoody@aapt.net.au