



RUELLIA PENINSULARIS DESERT RUELLIA

Desert ruellia is frequently planted along streetscapes and freeways, but its true beauty is best appreciated up-close and personal. The deep blue, almost purple flowers and interesting white-grey stems are fascinating. This evergreen shrub has a naturally rounded form, growing quickly to 4 to 5 feet tall and wide. Its small, glossy green leaves provide a wonderful backdrop for the one-inch-wide flowers. The peak bloom period occurs in the spring and early summer, but sporadic flowering can continue throughout the year. If planted in a frost-protected area, Desert ruellia requires almost no maintenance. Plant Desert ruellia in full sun to maintain a dense form.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY	
SIZE (H X W)	4 feet x 6 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Purple
FLOWER SEASON	Year Around (Mostly Spring)
EXPOSURE	Full Sun, Reflected Heat
WATER	Low
GROWTH RATE	Fast
HARDINESS	25° F, USDA Zone 9
PRUNING	Shear After Frost



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