

Fragrant Heliotrope



Heliotropium arborescens 'Marineo 2000'

- **Uses:** . In summer, it bears a profusion of fragrant violet-blue flowerheads up to 6 inches across. Use as bedding or border plant, in windowboxes and in containers. Heat tolerant. 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.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun to shade. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Use slow release fertilizer for best results. Prefers not to be overwatered.
- **Growth:** Broadly compact form 16" high and 1-2' wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 9-11, Annual, May overwinter if mild winter. You can bring indoors as a houseplant.
- **Foliage:** Broadly oval to lance-shaped, wrinkled leaves tinged with purple.
- **Flower:** Marino 2000 Heliotrope has masses of beautiful clusters of fragrant royal blue flowers with white overtones at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. Its textured pointy leaves remain light green in color throughout the season. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.



Looks great planted with Dusty Miller, Tapien Verbena, and Bacopa!