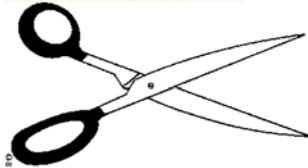


# Purple Dome Aster



**Attracts butterflies, is beautiful if used as a cut flower and is drought tolerant.**

## ***Aster x 'Purple Dome'***

- **Use:** Mounds of royal purple cover big bushy plants that bloom well into frost-free autumn weather. Easy-care addition to shrub and perennial borders or in roomy pots. Combine with other asters for a multicolored effect. An excellent addition to a cutting garden. We love them with grasses.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers full sun. Use slow release or water soluble fertilizer in late spring. Water under leaves and flowers for best results. Average water needs, but drought tolerant once established.
- **Growth:** This compact type grows 12"-24" tall and wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 3-8; Perennial. Mulch around plant in the winter. Make sure they have well drained soil in the winter.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Virtually mildew and rust free. Pinch back and divide like mums for best display. General rule of thumb is to pinch until summer solstice 6/21 and not after. Pinching yields better branching and more flowers.
- **Flower:** Densely packed clusters of lovely purple, semi-double flowers provide outstanding color in the garden from late summer into fall.

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