

# Mel's Blue Stoke's Aster



**Attracts butterflies and is fairly drought tolerant!**



## ***Stokesia laevis* 'Mel's Blue'**

- **Use:** Use in front of the border, foundation plantings, urban gardens, mass plantings, butterfly gardens, cutting gardens, cottage gardens, container gardens. Also great for cutflowers. Fairly deer resistant, but occasional nibbling by starving deer.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full to part sun. During the winter they prefer well-drained soils. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry.
- **Growth:** Grows 12-18" tall and wide with a moderate growth rate.
- **Hardiness:** **Zone** 5-9; Perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. forms a rosette clump of strap like leathery leaves. This perennial can be divided and should be every 3 years.
- **Flower:** Sports 4" bright violet-blue flowers atop sturdy stems that enliven a border or a vase with equal intensity. It blooms for the better part of summer

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