

First Choice Bluemist Shrub



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Careopteris 'First Choice'

- **Use:** First Choice is a newer selection with particularly deep blue flowers and a more compact mature size than other Blue Mist spirea. Blooming late summer it is an invaluable nectar source for bees and butterflies. Drought resistant/drought tolerant plant. Of modest size, it can be used in front of low walls, as a hedge or in groups around the base of larger shrubs, small trees and upright evergreens.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers full sun to part sun. Avoid heavy wet clay soils. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry to start. Little water needed once established.
- **Growth:** Grows 2-4 feet tall and 3-4 feet wide.
- **Hardiness:** **Zone 5-9;** Perennial/ Shrub
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Low arching habit and soft gray foliage are a perfect complement in the perennial border.
- **Flower:** Misty blue flowers appear in late summer and early autumn.