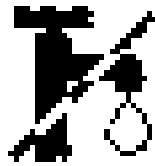


Great Blue Cardinal Flower



Lobelia siphilitica

- **Use:** The spikes of brilliant true blue flowers on this wetland native attract butterflies, hummingbirds and neighbors to your garden! *Lobelia siphilitica* provides outstanding color for the border, wet meadow or pond edge. Naturalizes easily in moist soils, but tolerates periods of drought.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers full sun or at least 5-6 hours of afternoon sun. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Drought tolerant once established. Loves moisture but will tolerate it drier in part shade. This is a vigorous grower that performs best in moderately fertile, but well-drained soils.
- **Growth:** Grows quickly to 18-24" tall and plant them 12" apart.
- **Hardiness:** 5-10 Perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Green ovate foliage.
- **Flower:** From summer to mid-autumn, it bears dense spikes of light to bright blue tubular, two-lipped flowers with a more prominent lower lip.

Lobelia is an excellent border plant for moist locations and is a hummingbird magnet. It also attracts butterflies and swallowtails.