

Botanical Name: Nepeta x faassenii

Common Name: Catmint

Type of Plant: dicot: perennial Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape spreading, mounding, gray-green aromatic plant with upright stems and loose spikes of blue flowers in summer; cats are attracted to the foliage and roll in it

Height to 2' Spread 2' Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoor full sun

Soil tolerates most any soil, including alkaline

Hardiness hardy (all zones)

Morphology:

Leaves lanceolate to ovate, 1-1/4" long; gray green, coarsely dentate on margins, somewhat aromatic

Flowers racemes or cymes of violet-blue flowers in summer

Fruit small capsule

Propagation: stem cuttings (seeds are sterile)

Usage: excellent facer or groundcover used for blue flowers and gray green foliage; use in perennial borders, with herbs or other aromatic plants

Landscape Care:

Watering takes average watering, not especially drought tolerant

Fertilizing balanced, slow-release in spring

Pruning shear off dead flowers after bloom, pinch for compactness

Pests/Diseases none

Special Conditions

Origin: Hybrid Family: Labiatae