

Botanical Name: Lavandula lanata

Common Name: Wooly lavender

Type of Plant: dicot: perennial Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape spreading, sprawling semi-woody subshrub with white-wooly leaves -- generally larger and more upright than most lavenders, with coarser foliage and few flowers

Height 2 - 4' Spread 2 - 4' Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoor full sun

Soil prefers a well-drained soil

Hardiness hardy (zones 4 to 24)

Morphology:

Leaves linear to narrowly elliptical, bright white and wooly, to 3" long, curved and pointed upward along the stem

Flowers fairly infrequent, spikes of deep purple flowers in spring

Fruit small capsule

Propagation: seed, semi-hardwood cuttings

Usage: medium sized filler for gray foliage and aromatic leaves;

leaf color, scent and structure make it a prime plant for the perennial border

Landscape Care:

Watering likes to be kept on the dry side -- too much causes root rot

Fertilizing balanced, slow release at planting time

Pruning head back to control size and keep out of other plants

Pests/Diseases root rot in poorly-drained soils

Special Conditions don't prune too severely, may die back if pruned hard

Origin: Spain Family: Labiatae