

Botanical Name: Teucrium fruticans

Common Name: Bush germander

Type of Plant: dicot; shrub Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape erect to somewhat sprawling with silvery branches,
spreading outward to form a loose, open, rounded canopy

Height 3' - 6' Spread 3' - 6' Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun

Soil tolerates most except poorly draining clay soil

Hardiness hardy (zones 4-24); thrives in hot areas

Morphology:

Leaves pinnate, opposite, ovate-elliptic, 3/4" - 1 1/4" long,
distinctly gray green above, silvery beneath, somewhat revolute margins,
square stems

Flowers blue, bell-shaped, 3/4" long, terminal, spike-like racemes;
nearly year round

Fruit capsule, 1/4"

Propagation: semi-hardwood cuttings

Usage: attractive filler or informal hedge, valued for its

silvery foliage color and blue flowers; good for drought tolerant landscapes;

good against masonry or dark background plants

Landscape Care:

Watering occasional deep soak; drought tolerant after established

Fertilizing little is required after established

Pruning head back occasionally to encourage denser form; best if
not sheared

Pests/Diseases relatively free

Special Conditions

Origin: S. Europe Family: Labiatae