

Ageratum houstonianum

(Flossflower, Mexican Ageratum)

Ageratum is an annual low growing plants reaching maximum 30 cm in height. It grows to form compact mounds of fresh looking foliage that are covered with blue, pink, purple or white blossoms. The plant can grow in a partial shade. Perfect container plant for balconies.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Agératum

Pronunciation: adge-jur-RAY-tum hoos-toe-nee-AY-num

Plant Type: Groundcover

Origin: Mexico

Heat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

Hardiness Zones: 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

Uses: Border Plant, Mass Planting, Indoor, Container, Cut Flowers / Arrangements, Ground cover

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Moderate

Tree Shape: Round

Height at Maturity: Less than 0.5 m

Spread at Maturity: Less than 50 cm

Time to Ultimate Height: 1 Year

Companion Plants: Yellow marigolds, pink begonias

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Alternate

Leaf Venation: Reticulate

Leaf Type: Simple

Leaf Blade: 5 - 10 cm

Leaf Shape: Orbiculate

Leaf Margins: Dentate

Leaf Textures: Medium

Leaf Scent: No Fragrance

Color(growing season): Green

Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: True

Flower Size Range: 0 - 1.5

Flower Type: Raceme

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: Pleasant

Flower Color: Red, Purple, Blue, Pink

Seasons: Spring, Summer, Fall

Fruit

Fruit Showiness: False

Seasons: Spring, Summer, Fall

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: No

Heat Tolerant: No

Drought Tolerant: No

Salt Tolerance: Poor

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full, Part

Management

Toxity: No

Invasive Potential: No

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Surface Rooting: No

Edible Parts:

Pests: Mites, Thrips, Aphids

Plant Propagations: Seed

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