

## Perovskia atriplicifolia 'Blue Spritzer' Blue Spritzer Russian Sage

Perovskia atriplicifolia 'Blue Spritzer' (Blue Spritzer Russian Sage) brings long-blooming flower power and soothing fragrance to late summer gardens. Russian Sage is a hardy, woody perennial that resembles a small shrub with upright, sturdy form. Fine foliage is gray green with a silvery glow and highly aromatic when crushed. Beginning in July and lasting into October, copious tiny, lavender flowers appear on branched, terminal panicles reaching 2-3' tall. These long-lived blooms attract a wide variety of bees, butterflies, and other pollinators, and they also make lovely cut flowers. These hardy plants prefer well-drained, dry conditions in full sun, making them an excellent choice for xeriscaping. Flowers transition to tiny, silvery pods in late fall, adorning the plant with silver, ghostly architectural stems into winter. Prune back in late winter or early spring to encourage new growth and good form.

**Botanical Name:** Perovskia atriplicifolia 'Blue Spritzer'

**Common Name:** Blue Spritzer Russian Sage

**Family:** Lamiaceae

**Nativity:** Not Native to US

**USDA Zone:** 5 to 9

**Light Type:** Full sun

**Soil Type:** Loam, Sand

**Soil Preferences:** Must have well-drained soil

**Soil Moisture:** Dry to Medium

**Typical height (ft):** 2-3'

**Typical width (ft):** 2-3'

**Foliage:** Gray green, silvery, fragrant

**Bloom Time:** July, August, September, October

**Bloom:** Lavender, purple

**Ecological features:** Provides floral resources for bees, butterflies, and other pollinators

**Tolerance of:** Deer, Drought, Salt, Heat

**Additional notes:** Limited nursery availability but seeds are readily available, for more info on this cultivar, look up PPAF; aka Blue Spritzer™, PRV111

**Companion plants:** Coneflower (Echinacea spp.), Black-eyed Susan (Rudbeckia spp.), Roses (Rosa spp.), Culver's Root (Veronicastrum spp.), Gaura

**For more information see:**

<https://www.tuinadvies.nl/plantengids/19729/perovskia-atriplicifolia-blue-spritzer>

<https://www.gardeningknowhow.com/ornamental/flowers/russian-sage-flowers/russian-sage-care.htm>

<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/PlantFinderDetails.aspx?taxonid=281634&isprofile=1&basic=perovskia>

<https://davesgarden.com/guides/pf/go/235549/#b>

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Flower panicles



Perovskia atriplicifolia 'Blue Spritzer'-2.jpg  
Flower panicles



Perovskia atriplicifolia 'Blue Spritzer'-3.jpg  
Foliage

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