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Jim Crockett Boltonia

Boltonia asteroides 'Jim Crockett'

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 30 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Wild Aster, False Aster, False Chamomile

Description:

A perfect choice for a garden display of dazzling lilac-violet blooms; a smaller more compact variety that is virtually smothered in beautiful daisy-like flowers until the first frost; attracts hummingbirds and bees; very adaptable and hardy

Ornamental Features

Jim Crockett Boltonia is smothered in stunning clusters of lightly-scented lilac purple daisy flowers with gold eyes at the ends of the stems from late summer to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its pointy leaves emerge light green in spring, turning grayish green in color. The foliage often turns yellow in fall.

Landscape Attributes

Jim Crockett Boltonia is a dense herbaceous perennial with a more or less rounded form. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Jim Crockett Boltonia is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Jim Crockett Boltonia flowers
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Jim Crockett Boltonia in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Jim Crockett Boltonia will grow to be about 20 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selection of a native North American species.