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## SHELMERDINE

### SECOND NATURE



Takion Blue Peachleaf Bellflower Campanula persicifolia 'Takion Blue'

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 16 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Other Names: Peach-leaved Bellflower

Group/Class: Takion Series

#### **Description:**

Captivating violet-blue bells are scattered among the attractive, bright green, strappy leaves; a low spreading growth habit; beautiful in mass plantings, thrives in well drained, moist areas

#### **Ornamental Features**

Takion Blue Peachleaf Bellflower is smothered in stunning blue bell-shaped flowers with violet overtones at the ends of the stems from late spring to early summer. Its narrow leaves remain emerald green in colour throughout the season.

#### Landscape Attributes

Takion Blue Peachleaf Bellflower is an herbaceous perennial with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees and hummingbirds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Self-Seeding

Takion Blue Peachleaf Bellflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Takion Blue Peachleaf Bellflower flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Takion Blue Peachleaf Bellflower in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

#### **Planting & Growing**

Takion Blue Peachleaf Bellflower will grow to be about 16 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 16 inches. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 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 prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. 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 selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Takion Blue Peachleaf Bellflower is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.