



**Adessa Blue Angelonia**  
*Angelonia angustifolia 'Adessa Blue'*

Height: 22 inches

Spread: 15 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 9b

Other Names: Summer Snapdragon

Group/Class: Adessa Series

**Description:**

This variety produces rich, violet-blue and white snapdragon-like flowers all summer; a spiky look that is great for massing; perfect for cottage gardens, borders, and containers; tolerates heat, humidity, and drought, once established

**Ornamental Features**

Adessa Blue Angelonia has masses of beautiful spikes of violet pea-like flowers with white overtones and buttery yellow eyes rising above the foliage from late spring to late summer, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its small fragrant narrow leaves remain green in color throughout the year.

**Landscape Attributes**

Adessa Blue Angelonia is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Adessa Blue Angelonia is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Adessa Blue Angelonia flowers*  
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*Adessa Blue Angelonia in bloom*  
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## **Planting & Growing**

Adessa Blue Angelonia will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 3 years. As an evergreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. 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 selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Adessa Blue Angelonia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.