



**Malibu Blue Rim Lisianthus**  
*Eustoma grandiflorum 'Malibu Blue Rim'*

Height: 30 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 8 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

**Description:**

A lovely variety producing elegant, cup shaped, violet purple flowers with dark purple edges and streaks; pinch young plants to encourage branching; great for containers or garden beds

**Ornamental Features**

Malibu Blue Rim Lisianthus features showy violet cup-shaped flowers with deep purple edges at the ends of the stems from early to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its pointy leaves remain bluish-green in colour throughout the season. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

**Landscape Attributes**

Malibu Blue Rim Lisianthus is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Malibu Blue Rim Lisianthus is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



*Malibu Blue Rim Lisianthus flowers*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Malibu Blue Rim Lisianthus will grow to be about 30 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 8 inches apart. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

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 selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Malibu Blue Rim Lisianthus is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. 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.