

CENIZO 'LYNN'S LEGACY' OR TEXAS SAGE

Leucophyllum langmaniae 'Lynn's Legacy'



Characteristics

- Type: Woody Shrub
- Zone: 8-10
- Sun: Full sun
- Height: 4 to 5 Feet
- Width: 4 to 5 Feet
- Bloom: Lavender
- Water: dry to medium
- Soil: Well-drained
- Drought tolerant
- Deer resistant
- Attracts: Hummingbirds
- Texas Native
- Texas Superstar®

Culture

Lynn's Legacy was selected as a Texas Superstar plant for its profuse and frequent flower displays. Its sage-green foliage is a wonderful backdrop for its lavender flowers. Compared to most selections of Texas sage, it is not as dependent on changes in relative humidity for flowering and can bloom more often during the course of the summer than other selections. It's beautiful, easy to care for, with superb drought tolerance and excellent deer resistance. Multiple flowering flushes frequently occur during a growing season. Be sure to avoid over watering.

Noteworthy Characteristics

Unlike other sages, Lynn's Legacy Cenizo, a new Texas Superstar® plant, is not only extremely colorful, but it cycles in and out of bloom much better than other sages. A lot of cenizos will have a flush and bloom in the spring and then just a little display of flowers until the fall. When it blooms you literally can't see the plant because the flowers cover all of it. Lynn's Legacy Cenizo's azalea-like lilac blue flowers are some of the largest and most attractive blooms of any Texas sage on the market.

Texas Superstar® plants undergo extensive tests at Overton, Lubbock, San Antonio and College Station by Texas AgriLife Research and Texas AgriLife Extension Service horticulturists. To be designated a Superstar®, a plant must not just be beautiful but also perform well for consumers and growers throughout Texas. Superstars must also be easy to propagate, which should ensure the plants are not only widely available throughout Texas but also are reasonably priced.

The plant was named after Lynn Lowrey who rescued it from a roadside near Monterrey, Mexico.

Problems

No serious insect or disease problems. Cotton root rot in soil that is not well drained.

Garden Uses

It is a general purpose shrub where a touch of silvery foliage is desired; other uses include as a foundation shrub, in island plantings, xeriscapes or in mixed borders; with appropriate substrate, it can be used in containers on sunny patios.