

Arkansas Diamonds Plants:

(*Evolvulus glomeratus* ‘Beach Bum Blue’)

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General Information

‘Beach Bum Blue’ *Evolvulus*

Scientific Name: *Evolvulus glomeratus*

Pronunciation: ee-VOLV-yoo-lus
glom-mur-RAY-tus

Common Name: Beach Bum Blue

Family: *Convolvaceae*

Plant Type: Summer herbaceous
annual

Uses: Mass plantings; border;
edging; container planting; natural-
izing; hanging basket; cascading

USDA Hardiness Zones: 8A through
11B

Origin: Not native to North America

Availability: Widely available in the
trade

Description

Height: 6 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Plant Habit/Form: Clumping;
Spreading

Growth Rate: Moderate

Texture: Fine

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Flowers

Color: Blue

Flower Value to Gardener: Long bloom
season; showy

Bloom Time: Spring through Fall

Shape: Star

Petals: Fused petals

Size: < 1 inch

Description: Half-inch wide blue
blossoms, with white centers.
Like other morning-glory species,
flowers usually close at night
and on cloudy days. Blooms from
spring through first frost.

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Leaves

Color: Green

Feel: Velvety

Shape: Ovate

Length: < 1 inch

Description: One-inch long oval leaves

Culture

Light Requirement: Full Sun (6 or more hours of direct sunlight a day)

Soil Tolerances: Tolerant of wide variety of soils

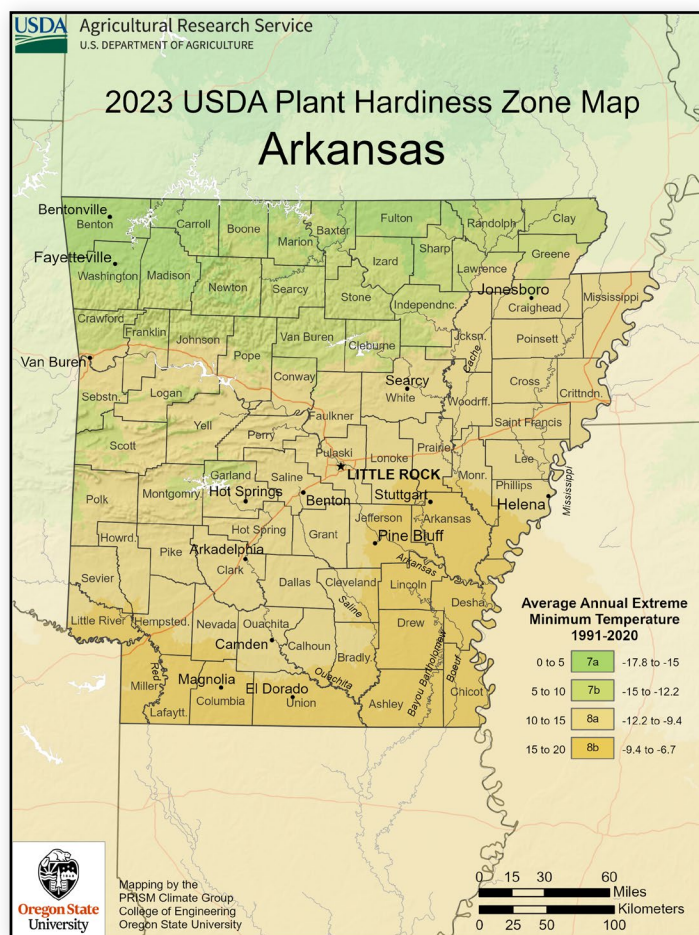
Drought Tolerance: Moderate

Plant spacing: 12 to 18 inches

Use and Management

Once established, 'Beach Bum Blue' does not require any additional watering, surviving in almost any soil in full sun to partial shade with light fertilizations. However, flowering can be slightly reduced in partial shade. Leaves will wilt during drought, but will recover with rain or irrigation. Overall, this is almost a no-maintenance plant. Plant 18 to 24 inches apart in an area with good air circulation to prevent

Figure 1: USDA Hardiness zones represented in Arkansas.



fungal infections. Fortunately, this plant is fast-growing and is easily replaced. As this plant spreads and grows, the stems will readily root when they touch the ground.



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