PROPAGATION

Phlox Open Cultivar(s)

Phlox subulata

CULTIVAR LIST

Candy Stripe, Drummond Pink, Emerald Blue



Unrooted Cuttings

(URC)

Rooting Hormone **Yes**

Tray Size(s) **72, 105**

Plants Per Cell 1

Wks. From Stick To

Transplant

Form

6-8

Pinch? Yes

Days from stick to pinch 21-28

FERTILITY

Fertilize Through Mist? **No**

50-75 ppm N (20-6-22 or

Fertilizer Rate **22-5-16 [15-0-15 under**

low-light conditions])

EC Range Moderate: (2.0-3.5 mS

via SME)

pH Range **5.6-6.2**

TEMPERATURE

Average Soil Temperature 65-72°F (18-22°C)

Average Air Temperature 65-72°F (18-22°C)

IRRIGATION

Level 3: Keep media

Irrigation Frequency moderately moist with

mild dry cycles

LIGHT

Supplemental No

Benefits From Shade? **No**

POTENTIAL DISEASES

powdery mildew, downy mildew

POTENTIAL PESTS

aphids, whitefly

PGR SUGGESTIONS

• Optional 300-500 ppm Florel (3.9% Ethephon)

TIPS

• High EC will burn cutting tips. Low fertilizer dosages more frequently is preferable over high dosages less frequently..

'Amazing Grace'

• A preventative fungicide should be applied to the roots to reduce disease pressure.



FINISHING

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Vernalization Required? Yes

Vernalization Duration

Minimum

6-8 weeks

Vernalization Temperature 35-40°F (1.6-4.4°C)

CONTAINER SIZE TRANSPLANT TO PLANTS PER POT FINISH (WEEKS)

4 in./qt (10-12 cm) 1 20-32 6 in./Gal. (15-16 cm) 2 20-32

FERTILITY

100-150 ppm N (20-6-22 or 22-5-16

Fertilizer Rate [15-0-15 under low-light

conditions])

Moderate: (2.0-3.5 mS via SME) EC Range

pH Range 5.5-6.2

TEMPERATURE

Day Temperature 45-55°F (7-13°C) Night Temperature 35-45°F (2-7°C)

IRRIGATION

Level 3: Keep media moderately Irrigation Frequency

moist with mild dry cycles

LIGHT

Photoperiodic **Daylength Neutral** requirements

Supplemental? None

Benefits From Shade? No

PINCHING

Finishing Pinch? No

Transplant to pinch (days) N/A

POTENTIAL DISEASES

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POTENTIAL PESTS

aphids, whitefly

PGR SUGGESTIONS

- B-Nine (85% Daminozide) 2500-3750 ppm'
- Sumagic (0.055% Uniconazole) 5-15ppm





'Drummond Pink'

TIPS

- Keep plants as cool as possible to promote a compact growth habit. Apply PGRs if necessary to complement cool temperatures.
- Reoccurring preventive fungicide applications are recommended.

FEATURES AND BENEFITS

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First Year Flowering? No

Bloom Time

Spring

Exposure Full Sun

Hardiness Zone 3-8

Height **4-8 inches (10-20 cm)**

Width **16-24 inches (40-60 cm)**

DESCRIPTION

Phlox subulata is a great choice for consumers interested in a perennial with numerous ecological benefits without sacrificing beauty or reliability.

CONSUMER APPEAL

- Phlox is a known butterfly and hummingbird magnet. Additionally, it has shown good resistance to deer and the allelopathic biochemicals excreted by black walnut trees.
- The true flower-power of Phlox comes from an abundance of small blooms. With that being said, the fragrant flower clusters can still be used in bouquets or arrangements especially if the entire stalk is removed.

GARDEN ATTRIBUTES

- A good choice for patio walkways as Phlox subulata is shorter than other phlox cultivars. It's also a versatile choice for rock gardens, around structure foundations, pollinator gardens, woodland gardens, or as a trailing component in containers or along retaining walls.
- Should be grown in well drained soil with a good organic matter content. Compost is an excellent way to amend your soil for this plant's benefit.
- Phlox are notorious for their susceptibility to powdery mildew, Phlox subulata is far more resistant than most Phlox if sited properly.

NATIVITY

Native to the eastern and central United States and Canada.



COMPANION PLANTS

Veronica, Leucanthemum, Geranium, Lamium, Lamiastrum, Viola, Paeonia, Campanula, Dianthus

COMMON NAME(S)

moss phlox, creeping phlox, mountain phlox

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