



Delphinium

(*Delphinium* spp.)



Origins

The *Delphinium* genus, part of the Ranunculaceae family, includes more than 300 species of flowers native to the northern hemisphere. Delphiniums belong to the same family as larkspurs.

Availability and Vase Life

Most delphiniums are available year-round from domestic and international sources. The flowers are usually blue or lavender, but they also come in white, red and yellow. Delphiniums' vase life ranges from 7-14 days, depending on care-and-handling practices.

Care and Handling

Upon receipt, cut delphiniums' stems under water in a clean underwater cutter or sink. Delphiniums are particularly ethylene sensitive, so keep them away from fruit and other ethylene emitting material.

Design Uses

Delphiniums make ideal additions to garden-style arrangements. Their shapes give them a nice look when gathered in a simple glass vase, or used as an accent to other garden flowers.



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