



<u>Viola 'Shangri-La Marina' F₁</u> <u>AAS Cool Season Bedding Plant Award Winner</u>

This winning *Viola cornuta* is an early-flowering, mounding viola in a vibrant new color for this type. In trials, the 6-inch tall plants kept a low-growing mounding habit. Colorful and prolific 1½ inch blooms have light blue petals with a velvety dark blue face that is surrounded by a narrow white border. Judges noted earlier (70 days from sowing to first flower) and showier blooms with noticeable drive-by flower power. Flower color was a consistent deep Marina blue throughout the season. This vigorous frost-tolerant biennial provides a solid mat of fall color until covered with snow followed by a great recovery in spring. Grow in full sun as a low edging in the garden or in hanging baskets and pots. Bred by Tokita Seed Co., Ltd.

AAS® Winner Data

Genus species: Viola cornuta

Common name: Viola

Unique qualities: Early flowering, new color **Flower color:** Marina (light blue with baby face)

Flower size: 1.25 inches Foliage color: Green Plant height: 6 inches Garden location: Full sun

Length of time from sowing seed to flower: 70 days

Frost tolerant

Closest comparison on market: 'Four Seasons Cooler Improved'

Flower form: Single flower

Plant type: Low growing, mounding habit

Plant width: 12 inches

Garden spacing: 8 inches apart

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