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▲ **AGASTACHE 'POQUITO DARK BLUE'**

Very few perennials rival the flower power and longevity of agastache in a container or landscape. Terra Nova Nurseries recently introduced 'Poquito Dark Blue', which is one of four reliable cultivars in the Poquito series. 'Poquito Dark Blue' is fast growing and produces a constant supply of purple-blue flower spikes from June to October in most locations. The compact clumps reach 14 inches tall when they are in full bloom. Currently, it's listed as being hardy throughout USDA Hardiness Zones 5 to 10. This fragrant cultivar attracts pollinators and hummingbirds into the landscape and makes a great cut flower. It is also deer resistant and drought tolerant once established. If you're looking for a great plant with lots of flower power, give agastache 'Poquito Dark Blue' a try.



◀ **AMSONIA HUBRICHTII 'BUTTERSCOTCH'**

If you're looking for a great multi-season native perennial, look no further than amsonia 'Butterscotch' from Emerald Coast Growers. Compared to previous amsonia, 'Butterscotch' has an improved form with reddish stems and develops attractive steel blue flowers in the summer. It's also resistant to tip dieback many of the other amsonia experience. One of my favorite attributes is the superior rich "butterscotch" fall appearance, which definitely livens up the fall landscape. With its multi-season appeal, this long lived native Zone 4 perennial is a good staple for any landscape.

HELIOPSIS HELIANTHOIDES VAR. SCABRA 'BURNING HEARTS'

Heliopsis 'Burning Hearts' from Jelitto Perennial Seeds is not your ordinary heliopsis. No, this great new introduction is a showstopper. First, 'Burning Hearts' has deep-purple foliage and if that wasn't enough, it produces an abundance of contrasting dynamic yellow daisy-like flowers with orange centers. This great cultivar has a sturdy, upright habit reaching around 3 feet tall while blooming and is hardy all the way down to Zone 3. Not only is 'Burning Hearts' a great perennial for attracting people into the garden, but butterflies and other pollinators are drawn to it too. ▼

