# GrowerFacts

# ColorGrass® Juncus Blue Dart

(Juncus tenuis)

Annuals Culture (revised 02/24/20)

Plug crop time: 6 to 7 weeks Transplant to finish: 7 to 8 weeks

Linear blue foliage adds texture to small containers and in-ground plantings. Strong vertical habit – faster, more reliable alternative to spike dracaena. Easy-care and adaptable to a wider range of conditions, including standing water and drought. Attractive indoor or water plant. Great retail shelf life.

## **General Information**

Exposure	Bloom Season	Height	Spread	Spacing
Partial Sun, Sun	-	14-16 in. (36-41 cm)	10-12 in. (25-30 cm)	8-10 in. (20-25 cm)

#### Germination

Seed Form	Recommended Plug Size	Seeds/Cell	Plug Crop Weeks	Days from 50% to maximum germination	Initial Media pH/EC (1:2)	Cover Seed
MPL	288	1	6-7	7-8	5.5-6.2 pH 0.75 mmhos/cm	No

## **Plug Production**

	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4
Moisture	Level 4	Level 3-4	Level 2-3	Level 2-3
Temperature	71-76°F (22-24°C)	64-70°F (18-21°C)	64-68°F (18-20°C)	64-66°F (18-19°C)
Light	Light	1,000-2,500 f.c. (10,800-26,900 Lux)	1,000-2,500 f.c. (10,800-26,900 Lux)	2,500-5,000 f.c. (26,900-53,800 Lux)
Fertilizer		Less than 100 ppm N (Less than 0.7 EC)	100 to 175 ppm N (0.7 to 1.2 EC)	100 to 175 ppm N (0.7 to 1.2 EC)

#### **Fertilizer Notation**

Use a nitrate-based fertilizer with low phosphorus.

### **Propagation Key Tips**

Excellent substitute for Draecena Spike.

## **Growing on to Finish**

Growing on Temperature	Target Media pH/EC (1:2)	Fertilizer	Daylength
(day) 62-74°F (17-23°C)	5.5-6.2 pH	175 to 225 ppm N	Day Neutral
(night) 59-64°F (15-18°C)	1.2-1.5 mmhos/cm	(1.2 to 1.5 EC)	

# **Crop Scheduling**

Container Size	Plugs/Pot	Crop Time	Season	PGR
306 Pack/1801	1 (ppp)	6-7 (weeks)	Spring	-
4"/4.5"/Quart/10 cm	1 (ppp)	6-7 (weeks)	Spring	-
5"/6"/1 Gallon/15 cm	1-3 (ppp)	7-8 (weeks)	Spring	-

#### **Fertilizer Notation**

Use a nitrate-based fertilizer with low phosphorus; avoid using excessive ammonia, nitrogen-based fertilizer and overfeeding, as these will result in less upright plants.

#### **Common Problems**

Planting the plugs too deep.

### **Finishing Key Tips**

Excellent substitute for Draecena Spike.

NOTE: Growers should use the information presented here as guidelines only. PanAmerican Seed recommends that growers conduct a trial of products under their own conditions. Crop times will vary depending on the climate, location, time of year, and greenhouse environmental conditions. It is the responsibility of the grower to confirm the treatment is available in their region as well as read and follow all the current label directions relating to the products. Nothing herein shall be deemed a warranty or guaranty by PanAmerican Seed of any products listed herein. PanAmerican Seed's terms and conditions of sale shall apply to all products listed herein.

## **Variety Pictures**





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