

Ruellia caroliniensis



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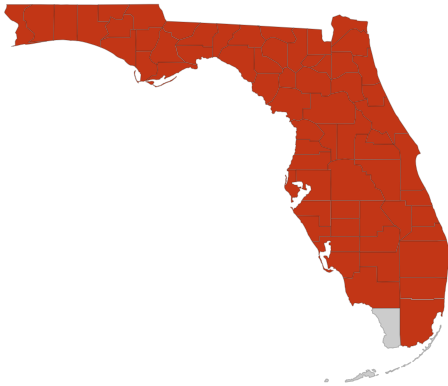
Carolina Wildpetunia, Wild Petunia

Acanthaceae

Plant Specifics

- Size:** 1.0 to 2.5 ft tall by .75 to 2.0 ft wide
- Life Span:** Long-lived perennial
- Flower Color:** Blue, lavender
- Fruit Color:** Green, brown
- Phenology:** Winter dormant Blooms early spring to late-summer
- Habitats:** Dry mesic hammocks, flatwoods, sandhill, disturbed areas.

Natural Range in Florida



USDA Zones

Suitable to grow in:



Landscaping

- Recommended Uses:** Groundcover along with other low-growing wildflowers.
- Light:** ☀ Full Sun, ☁ Part Shade, ☷ Shade
- Moisture Tolerance:** Usually moist, occasional inundation ----- to - Somewhat long very dry periods
- Salt Water Flooding Tolerance:** Not salt tolerant of inundation by salty or brackish water.
- Salt Spray Tolerance:** Some tolerance to salty wind but not direct spray.
- Soil/Substrate:** Sand

Wildlife



Larval host for Common Buckeye (*Junonia coenia*) and W Peacock (*Anartia jatrophae*) butterflies.

Attracts many pollinators.

