



UTAH POLLINATOR HABITAT PROGRAM

Silvery Lupine (*Lupinus argenteus*)



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Zone: 5-7

Color: Blue and purple

Bloom Time: June to August

Plant Type: Perennial herb

Mature Height: 1-4' tall

Mature Spread: 1-2' wide

Water Use: Low water

Soil Type: Dry, rocky, sand, loam, and clay

Range and Native Habitat: The Silvery Lupine occurs in the southwest, Sierra Nevada, and Rocky Mountains and grows in stream valleys, dry roadsides, rocky prairies, sagebrush, and open pine woods.

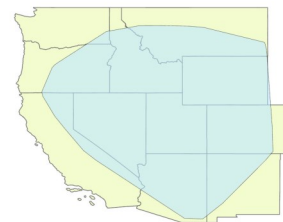
Suggested Maintenance: Deadheading will encourage a second flush of blooms in the fall. Seeds can be left for further expansion of the plant at the end of the season; lupines do not do well with dividing or transplanting. Cut back faded foliage in the fall by a third unless re-seeding is desired. After the last frost in the spring, cut the remaining foliage back hard.

Other: The Silvery Lupine is a favorite amongst pollinators including birds, hummingbirds, native bees, and butterflies. It is a fast growing plant. Seeds of the genus *Lupinus* can be toxic to humans and animals if ingested.

Wildlife Supported



Distribution Map



Landscaping Information



Sun
Full sun to part shade



Water Needs
Low



Summer Irrigation
Max 2x / month once established



Soil Drainage
Fast



Propagation
By seed in the fall or spring with scarification or soaking in hot water