



*Rhododendron*

# *Blue Baron*



Striking, nearly iridescent, violet blue buds that open to flowers of the same vivid hue, distinguish this hybrid of 'Gletschernacht' x R. 'Waltham'. Its finely textured, elliptical foliage is glossy green in summer, but takes on a lovely bronze color in colder months. 'Blue Baron' has an upright habit; typically listed as 3 to 4 feet in height and width, but at maturity can reach up to 6 feet in height. 'Blue Baron' thrives in full sun to partial shade, in well drained, organic soil. Whether planted in borders, beds, or en mass, 'Blue Baron' makes a lovely addition to your garden.

**HARDINESS** – USDA zones 6 to 9

**HABIT** – Upright; 4-6'H x 3-4'W at ten years

**CULTURE** -- Full sun to partial shade; acidic, organic soil that is well drained; average water

**FEATURES**

- Vivid, nearly iridescent violet blue buds and flowers
- Glossy green summer foliage that turns bronze in the winter
- Early mid-season bloomer

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