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Pretty in Purple

For a stunning purple show all season, give this container a try. While you're basking in its beauty, be sure to enjoy the clove scent that emanates from the bluebird nemesia.

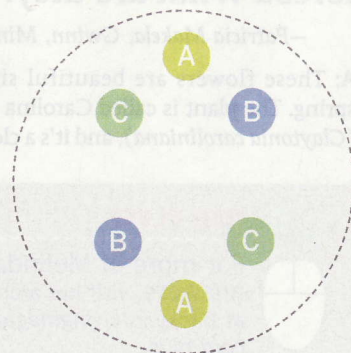
Why it works: The blooms of Supertunia® will attract hummingbirds and butterflies. And don't worry about the hot sun; Supertunia is also heat- and drought-tolerant.

Planter size: 18-in.-diameter pot

Growing conditions: Full sun

Shopping list:

- A White Superbells® calibrachoa (2)
- B Bluebird nemesia (2)
- C Mini blue Supertunia® petunia (2)



For more information on the plants pictured here, visit "Links" at BackyardLivingmagazine.com.

Summer Sizzle

Sandy Dennis of Lee's Summit, Missouri created this container for a friend who wanted to dress up her driveway.

"At first, I was concerned because the area is on the south side of the house in front of a stone wall," she says. "But the combination seems to be thriving."

Why it works: The contrasting leaf textures add appealing variety. Plus, each plant thrives in the blazing sun, so this combo is perfect for the summer heat.



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Flawless in Pastel

The merging colors of deep blue-purple, yellow and nearly black come together to create this stunning array, a winning combination.

Why it works: A perfect mixture of trailing and upright plants, this combo is a must this season. Most plants are drought- and heat-tolerant, and the flowers bloom all season. As an added bonus, the Angelface® Blue angelonia fills the air with a lovely grape scent.



Delicately Pink

Pink Chablis® lamium offers a unique color to this container with its frothy silver-and-green foliage. It's a perfect backdrop to the brilliant pink blooms of the other two plants.

Why it works: There are nothing but positive things to say about this beautiful container. Each plant produces long-lasting blooms and planting the Supertunia® Lavender Pink will ensure that birds and butterflies visit your yard. It's also heat-tolerant and splendidly fragrant.



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A Welcoming Sight

Patty Sutherland from Apple Valley, Minnesota adorned her front entryway with this spectacular container.

"The rich colors were bold and really stood out," she says. "Plus, it looked great well into fall."

Why it works: The shiny, glossy foliage of both the croton and lysimachia adds nice texture to the overall look. This container will survive areas that get partial shade, so it's perfect for a front or back porch.



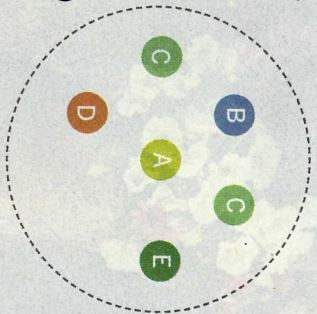
Flawless in Pastel

Planter size: 16-in.-diameter pot

Growing conditions: Full sun

Shopping list:

- A Angelface® Blue angelonia (1)
- B Blackie sweet potato vine (1)
- C Soprano® Light Purple osteospermum (2)
- D Supertunia® Lemon Plum petunia (1)
- E Summer Wave® Amethyst torenia (1)



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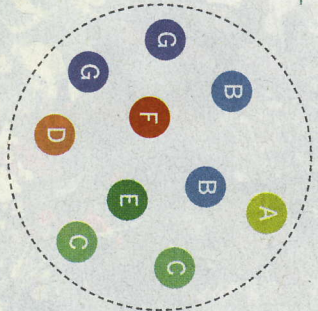
Summer Sizzle

Planter size: 20-in.-diameter pot

Growing conditions: Full sun

Shopping list:

- A Purple Majesty millet (1)
- B Gage's Shadow perilla (2)
- C Suberberta Coral Red verbena (2)
- D Lemon licorice vine (1)
- E Marguerite sweet potato vine (1)
- F Sun Parasol Giant Crimson mandevilla (1)
- G Million Bells Cherry Pink callibrochoa (2)



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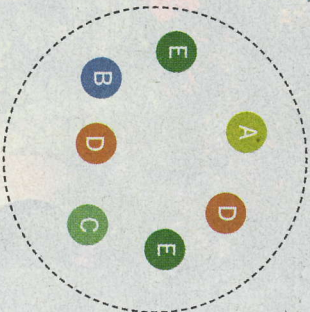
A Welcoming Sight

Planter size: 18-in.-diameter pot

Growing conditions: Full sun

Shopping list:

- A Croton (1)
- B Blue streptocarpella (1)
- C Goldilocks lysimachia (1)
- D Asparagus fern (2)
- E New Guinea impatiens (2)



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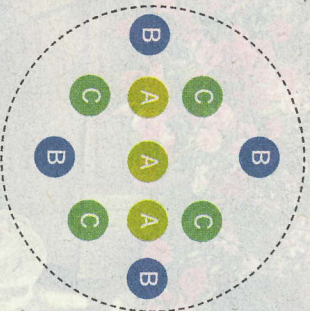
Delicately Pink

Planter size: 30-in.-diameter pot

Growing conditions: Sun

Shopping list:

- A Karalee® Petite Pink gaura (3)
- B Pink Chablis® lammium (4)
- C Supertunia® Lavender Pink petunia (4)



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