**Centaurea cyanus**

- **Use:** Lapis-blue single flowers bloom abundantly on top of the strong many-branched stems, the silvery green narrow foliage a perfect foil for the brilliance of the flowers. A special heirloom that once was offered in many an early seed list, it's the essence of innocence and simplicity. Self-sows. Noted for its long blooming, bachelor button-like flowers. Intense blue color.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Plant in full sun to partial sun. Use slow release or water soluble fertilizer. Keep soil moist watering under leaves and flowers for best results. Do not over-water plant.
- **Growth:** Grows in upright clumps 1-2’ tall and 1-2’ wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 2-11; Reseeding Annual.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Small, green leaves.
- **Flower:** - Large, showy, violet-blue flowers from spring to summer with deeply fringed flower petals.