



## Tidal Wave® Red Velour Spreading Petunia (Texas Superstar® - March 2020 Promotion)



(Photo: allamericaselections.org)

As the name implies Tidal Wave Red Velour Spreading Petunia offers dark red flowers that appear as if crafted of rich velour. This 12 to 24-inch tall dense canopied petunia spreads to 30 to 60 inches in width. Flowering is greatest from early spring to early summer and if well-tended can survive our summers and return for significant fall bloom. Tidal Wave Red Velour combines well with its earlier designated fellow Texas Superstars® Tidal Wave Silver Spreading Petunia and Tidal Wave Cherry Spreading Petunia to offer great seasonal waves of Texas tough color.

**Exposure:** Full sun exposure is best for floral display; partial shade may help in over-summering plants.

**Height:** Plants typically grow 12 to 24 inches tall with a spread of 30 to 60 inches.

**Plant type:** Typically grown in Bexar County as a fall or early spring cool to transition season annuals, but plants can be short-term perennials in USDA Hardiness Zone 8b. Summer temperatures can be limiting, but Tidal Wave Red Velour is more tolerant of heat than most petunias.



(Photo: parkseed.com)

**Planting time:** Best planted in Bexar County, in late winter or early spring, once past severe freezes. Plants can be planted in late fall for periodic winter display. Growth in patio pots and containers is vigorous and will benefit from occasional shearing. Recommended spacing is 12-18" apart for good coverage.

**Soil type:** Almost any well drained soil; petunias benefit from regular fertilization.

**Suggested uses:** Tidal Wave Red Velour Spreading Petunia can be used as a bedding, specimen, or an accent plant in mixed borders; plants are also effective in containers, hanging baskets, and window boxes.

**Special notes:** With adequate water and a good fertility program, flowering can be maintained throughout the growing season. Afternoon shade will help with summer endurance.