Centaurea montana

**FAMILY**
Asteraceae

**AUTHORITY**
Centaurea montana L.

**FLORA CATEGORY**
Vascular – Exotic

**STRUCTURAL CLASS**
Herbs - Dicotyledonous composites

**FLOWER COLOURS**
Blue, Violet/Purple

**ETYMOLOGY**
- **centaurea**: From the classical name kentaurion (Greek) or centaureum (Latin) in the fables of ancient Greece, which describe the plant healing the foot of Chiron, a centaur famed for his knowledge of medicine and astronomy.
- **montana**: From the Latin mons 'mountain', meaning growing on mountains

**MORE INFORMATION**