

# Planting *Platycodon grandiflorum* under photovoltaic panels

What is *Platycodon grandiflorus*?

The description of these plants has been written based on numerous outside resources. Widely popular among gardeners, *Platycodon grandiflorus* (Balloon Flower) is a compact herbaceous perennial with bell-shaped, flaring, violet-blue flowers, up to 2-3 in. across (5-7 cm), adorned with 5 broad, pointed lobes that form a star shape.

Do *Platycodon* plants need full sun?

*Platycodon* plants prefer full sun to partial shade and well-drained soil. Plant them in the spring or fall. With their beautiful and unique flowers, they're ideal for borders, rock gardens, or containers. I hope that you enjoyed this guide on how to grow *Platycodon* plants.

How do you grow *Platycodon grandiflorus*?

If growing in a pot, plant into peat-free, multipurpose compost. Dig a hole that is the same depth and a little wider than the rootball, and place the plant in it. Backfill with soil and firm around the area gently, to avoid damaging the roots. Water in well. *Platycodon grandiflorus*. Getty Images

What is a balloon flower - *Platycodon grandiflorus*?

The Balloon Flower, scientifically known as *Platycodon grandiflorus*, is a perennial flowering plant native to East Asia, particularly China, Korea, and Japan. It is a popular ornamental plant grown in gardens and landscapes for its unique balloon-like flower buds that open into beautiful star-shaped flowers.

Can *Platycodon grandiflorus* grow in pots?

Pots containing well-draining soil can be a great home for *Platycodon Grandiflorus*. Balloon flowers are suitable for planting in containers and make great patio displays. Choose a dwarf variety that will not be constrained by the pot size.

How do you care for balloon flowers (*Platycodon grandiflorus*)?

To grow and care for Balloon Flowers (*Platycodon grandiflorus*), follow these general guidelines. Balloon Flowers prefer a location that receives full sun to partial shade, ideally getting at least 6 hours of direct sunlight per day. The soil should be well-draining and of average fertility, while slightly acidic to neutral pH levels are preferred.

In Korea, the roots of *platycodon grandiflorum* are used for treating several diseases as they are believed to have powerful anti-inflammatory and anticancer properties. Balloon flower root is believed to help treat insulin resistance in the ...

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