# Lakeshore Garden Centres

## St. Louis Gold Tropical Water Lily

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St. Louis Gold Tropical Water Lily Nymphaea 'St. Louis Gold'

Height: 16 inches

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Other Names: Waterlily

#### **Description:**

Tropical water lily with sunny yellow star-shaped flowers with gold centers; blooms from summer to winter; round green foliage mottled with purple; easy to care for; water lilies dislike moving water; annual in colder climates

#### **Ornamental Features**

St. Louis Gold Tropical Water Lily features showy fragrant yellow cup-shaped flowers with gold eyes at the ends of the stems from early summer to late fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive glossy round leaves remain green in colour with showy burgundy variegation throughout the year.

#### Landscape Attributes

St. Louis Gold Tropical Water Lily is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other garden plants with finer foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It has no significant negative characteristics.

St. Louis Gold Tropical Water Lily is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Water Gardens
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting
- Bog Gardens

### **Planting & Growing**

St. Louis Gold Tropical Water Lily will grow to be about 14 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.



St. Louis Gold Tropical Water Lily flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It is an excellent choice for very wet locations or locations with some standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

St. Louis Gold Tropical Water Lily is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.

This plant is not reliably hardy in our region, and certain restrictions may apply; contact the store for more information.