

Silver Star Lily



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Lilium 'Silver Star'

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight: ○ ●

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Group/Class: Orienpet

Description:

This elegant variety blooms profusely with snowy white flowers that have inner streaks of yellow and are copiously dotted with black spots; very showy, contrasting a green background landscape as a border planting



Silver Star Lily flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Silver Star Lily features bold nodding white trumpet-shaped flowers with black spots at the ends of the stems in early summer, which emerge from distinctive purple flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its narrow leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Silver Star Lily is an herbaceous perennial with a rigidly upright and towering form. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects
- Disease

Silver Star Lily is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use

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Planting & Growing

Silver Star Lily will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches apart. It tends to be leggy, with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and should be underplanted with lower-growing perennials. The flower stalks can be weak and so it may require staking in exposed sites or excessively rich soils. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate 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 multiplication of the underground bulbs; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.