# Golden Acre Home & Garden

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## **Blue Hawaii Hosta**



# Blue Hawaii Hosta Hosta 'Blue Hawaii'

Height: 3 feet
Spread: 4 feet
Spacing: 3 feet
Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 2a

Other Names: Plantain Lily, Funkia

## **Description:**

An upright, vase shaped variety with slightly cupped, corrugated, powder-blue foliage that holds its color; provides beautiful texture and contrast to other plants; spikes of very pale lavender flowers in early summer

### **Ornamental Features**

Blue Hawaii Hosta features dainty spikes of lavender tubular flowers rising above the foliage from early to mid summer. Its attractive textured heart-shaped leaves remain powder blue in colour with hints of bluish-green throughout the season.

## **Landscape Attributes**

Blue Hawaii Hosta is a dense herbaceous perennial with an indistinguished habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration:

- Insects

Blue Hawaii Hosta is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover



Blue Hawaii Hosta Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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## **Planting & Growing**

Blue Hawaii Hosta will grow to be about 30 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 3 feet apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a slow 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 partial shade to shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. 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.

