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Twister Agapanthus



Twister Agapanthus Agapanthus 'AMBIC001'

Plant Height: 24 inches Flower Height: 4 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: O D

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Lily of the Nile, African Lily

Description:

This selection produces a mound of semi-glossy, narrow green foliage; showy clusters of pure white trumpets with dark violet-blue bases appear atop tall stems in mid to late summer; a perfect accent plant in the garden or massed along borders



Twister Agapanthus flowers (faded) Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Twister Agapanthus features bold clusters of white trumpet-shaped flowers with royal blue centers rising above the foliage from mid to late summer, which emerge from distinctive creamy white flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its glossy narrow leaves remain green in colour throughout the year.

Landscape Attributes

Twister Agapanthus is an herbaceous annual 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 is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Twister Agapanthus is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Twister Agapanthus will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity extending to 4 feet tall with the flowers, with a spread of 3 feet. Although it's not a true annual, this plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

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This plant does best in full sun to partial 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.

Twister Agapanthus is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.