



**Director George T. Moore Tropical Water Lily**

*Nymphaea 'Director George T. Moore'*

Plant Height: 6 inches

Flower Height: 10 inches

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Waterlily

**Description:**

A day blooming, tropical water lily with striking violet-blue star-shaped flowers with golden centers; blooms from summer to winter; rounded green foliage occasionally mottled with plum purple; easy to care for; water lilies dislike moving water

**Ornamental Features**

Director George T. Moore Tropical Water Lily features showy fragrant semi-double violet cup-shaped flowers with blue overtones and gold eyes at the ends of the stems from early summer to late fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive large glossy round leaves remain green in color with distinctive plum purple spots throughout the year.

**Landscape Attributes**

Director George T. Moore 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.

Director George T. Moore Tropical Water Lily is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Director George T. Moore Tropical Water Lily flowers*  
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- Water Gardens
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting
- Bog Gardens

### **Planting & Growing**

Director George T. Moore Tropical Water Lily will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 10 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 6 feet. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an evergreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

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 may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. 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.

Director George T. Moore 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.