





# Bitsy Gold Hosta Hosta 'Bitsy Gold'

Plant Height: 10 inches
Flower Height: 18 inches

Hardiness Zone: 2

Other Names: Plantain Lily, Funkia

# **Description:**

Slow growing and tolerant of some sun, this variety features mounds of lightly rippled, long and narrow golden leaves; lavender flowers appear in mid-summer; a perfect way to add texture, contrast and color to shaded beds, borders and containers

#### **Ornamental Features**

Bitsy Gold Hosta features dainty spikes of lavender bell-shaped flowers rising above the foliage in mid summer. Its attractive small narrow leaves remain gold in color throughout the season.

## **Landscape Attributes**

Bitsy Gold Hosta is a dense herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. 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

Bitsy Gold Hosta is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Bitsy Gold Hosta Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Bitsy Gold Hosta in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder





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

## **Planting & Growing**

Bitsy Gold Hosta will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity extending to 18 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 18 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 14 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. 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 full shade. Keep it well away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. 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.