

## Agapanthus africanus

### (African lily)

Agapanthus africanus is a perennial garden plant, often grown for its showy blue, purple, white or pink umbel shaped flowers. It thrives either in a well-drained, sunny position in the garden, or in containers. Year-round this evergreen perennial produces clumps of glossy green leaves. It will not tolerate freezing weather for extended period. Established plants will withstand substantial periods of drought. It is quite carefree pest and disease free.



Plant Image

#### Landscape Information

**French Name:** Agapanthe

**Pronunciation:** ag-uh-PANTH-us af-ri-KAHN-us

**Plant Type:** Groundcover

**Origin:** South Africa

**Heat Zones:** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

**Hardiness Zones:** 8, 9, 10

**Uses:** Border Plant, Mass Planting, Indoor, Container, Wildlife, Cut Flowers / Arrangements, Ground cover

#### Size/Shape

**Growth Rate:** Moderate

**Tree Shape:** Upright

**Canopy Density:** Open

**Canopy Texture:** Fine

**Height at Maturity:** 0.5 to 1 m

**Spread at Maturity:** 0.5 to 1 meter

**Time to Ultimate Height:** 2 to 5 Years

#### Notes

Plant spacing: 45 to 60 cm.

Agapanthus are very effective on the margins of lakes or by running streams, where they thrive. They will not tolerate freezing weather for extended periods.

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Flower Image

## Botanical Description

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### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Alternate

**Leaf Venation:** Parallel

**Leaf Persistence:** Evergreen

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** 20 - 30

**Leaf Shape:** Linear

**Leaf Margins:** Entire

**Leaf Textures:** Glossy

**Leaf Scent:** No Fragrance

**Color(growing season):** Green

**Color(changing season):** Green

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### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** True

**Flower Size Range:** 7 - 10

**Flower Type:** Umbel

**Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)

**Flower Scent:** Pleasant

**Flower Color:** Blue, White

**Seasons:** Spring, Summer

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### Fruit

**Fruit Showiness:** False

**Seasons:** Spring, Summer

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Leaf Image

## Horticulture Management

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### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** Yes

**Heat Tolerant:** Yes

**Drought Tolerant:** No

**Salt Tolerance:** Moderate

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### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic, Neutral

**Water Requirements:** Moderate

**Light Requirements:** Full

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### Management

**Invasive Potential:** No

**Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** No

**Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** No

**Surface Rooting:** No

**Life Span:** Less than 25

**Edible Parts:**

**Plant Propagations:** Seed, Division

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