Agapanthus africanus

(African lily)

Agapanthus africanusis 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 extend period. Established plants will withstand substantial periods of drought. It is quite carefree pest and disease free.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Agapanthe

Pronounciation: ag-uh-PANTH-us af-ri-KAHN-

us

Plant Type: Herbaceous

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.

Agapantus 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

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Alternate

Leaf Venation: Parallel

Leaf Persistance: Evergreen

Leaf Type: Simple
Leaf Blade: 20 - 30
Leaf Shape: Linear
Leaf Margins: Entire
Leaf Textures: Glossy
Leaf Scent: No Fragance

Color(growing season): Green Color(changing season): Green

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

Fruit

Fruit Showiness: False Seasons: Spring, Summer

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes
Heat Tolerant: Yes
Drought Tolerant: No
Salt Tolerance: Moderate

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Loam, Sand Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full

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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