



Plant Finder



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: 4b

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 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. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

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;

- Water Gardens
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting
- Bog Gardens



Director George T. Moore Tropical Water Lily flowers
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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.

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 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.