



Plant Finder



Madame Ganna Walska Tropical Water Lily

Nymphaea 'Madame Ganna Walska'

Plant Height: 6 inches

Flower Height: 18 inches

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Other Names: Waterlily

Description:

Tropical water lily with pale-pink, star-shaped flowers; easy to care for; water lilies dislike moving water

Ornamental Features

Madame Ganna Walska Tropical Water Lily features showy fragrant shell pink cup-shaped flowers with yellow eyes at the ends of the stems from early to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive large glossy round leaves emerge burgundy in spring, turning dark green in color with distinctive red spots the rest of the year. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

Landscape Attributes

Madame Ganna Walska 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.

Madame Ganna Walska Tropical Water Lily is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



Madame Ganna Walska Tropical Water Lily flowers
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Planting & Growing

Madame Ganna Walska Tropical Water Lily will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 18 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.

Madame Ganna Walska 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.