Variegata Lily Turf

Liriope muscari 'Variegata'



Variegata Lily Turf flowers
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Variegata Lily Turf in bloom
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Height: 15 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Other Names: Border Grass, Lilyturf

Description:

A tufted grass like perennial that features a clump of arching, glossy, green and white varigated leaves; a beautiful display of lovely purple-lavender atop showy flower spikes; it is best as an edging plant or massed as a groundcover

Ornamental Features

Variegata Lily Turf features dainty spikes of lavender flowers with purple overtones rising above the foliage in late summer. Its attractive glossy grassy leaves remain emerald green in color with showy white variegation throughout the season. It features an abundance of magnificent black berries in early fall.

Landscape Attributes

Variegata Lily Turf is a dense herbaceous perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Variegata Lily Turf is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Variegata Lily Turf will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast 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 shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.



Variegata Lily Turf foliage
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