



Amethyst Toad Lily

Tricyrtis lasiocarpa

Plant Height: 24 inches

Flower Height: 3 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: 

Hardiness Zone: 6b

Other Names: Tricyrtis amethystina, Toadlily



Amethyst Toad Lily flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Description:

This selection forms an attractive mound of green leaves; orchid-like white flowers with plum purple spotting and vivid amethyst blue petal tips; greatly appreciated close up; excellent as a cut flower

Ornamental Features

Amethyst Toad Lily has white orchid-like flowers with purple overtones, yellow throats and blue tips at the ends of the stems from mid summer to mid fall, which are interesting on close inspection. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its oval leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Amethyst Toad Lily is an open herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spreading

Amethyst Toad Lily is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens

Planting & Growing

Amethyst Toad Lily will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity extending to 3 feet tall with the flowers, with a spread of 24 inches. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 15 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 should be grown in a location with partial shade or which is shaded from the hot afternoon sun. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in both summer and winter to conserve soil moisture and protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This species is not originally from North America. It can be propagated by division.