

Lady of the Night Orchid

Brassavola nodosa



Lady of the Night Orchid flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 10

Other Names: Dama de la Noche Orchid

Group/Class: Brassavola

Description:

This is a small, tough variety producing short spikes adorned with several spidery pale green flowers with large, white, heart shaped lips; releases a sweet fragrance in the evening, and at night, as it blooms from spring to early winter

Features & Attributes

Lady of the Night Orchid's recurved sword-like leaves remain green in color throughout the year on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth.

This is an open herbaceous evergreen houseplant with an upright spreading habit of growth. This plant should never be pruned unless absolutely necessary, as it tends not to take pruning well.

Planting & Growing

When grown indoors, Lady of the Night Orchid can be expected to grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. This houseplant will do well in a location that gets either direct or indirect sunlight, although it will usually require a more brightly-lit environment than what artificial indoor lighting alone can provide. It does best in average to evenly moist soil, but will not tolerate standing water. The surface of the soil shouldn't be allowed to dry out completely, and so you should expect to water this plant once and possibly even twice each week. Be aware that your particular watering schedule may vary depending on its location in the room, the pot size, plant size and other conditions; if in doubt, ask one of our experts in the store for advice. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soil. Contact the store for specific recommendations on pre-mixed potting soil for this plant.

There are many factors that will affect the ultimate height, spread and overall performance of a plant when grown indoors; among them, the size of the pot it's growing in, the amount of light it receives, watering frequency, the pruning regimen and repotting schedule. Use the information described here as a guideline only; individual performance can and will vary. Please contact the store to speak with one of our experts if you are interested in further details concerning recommendations on pot size, watering, pruning, repotting, etc.