Jurassic Park Hosta

Hosta 'Jurassic Park'



Jurassic Park Hosta foliage
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Height: 30 inches

Spread: 6 feet

Spacing: 5 feet

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 3

Other Names: Plantain Lily, Funkia

Description:

A wonderful extra large variety featuring dense mounds of heavily corrugated green leaves; pale lavender flowers appear from early to mid summer; adds texture, contrast and color to garden beds; prefers shaded areas; low maintenance and easy to grow

Ornamental Features

Jurassic Park Hosta features dainty spikes of lavender bell-shaped flowers rising above the foliage in mid summer. Its enormous textured oval leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Jurassic Park Hosta is a dense herbaceous perennial with a mounded form. Its wonderfully bold, coarse texture can be very effective in a balanced garden 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 is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Jurassic Park Hosta is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover

Planting & Growing

Jurassic Park Hosta will grow to be about 26 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 feet. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 5 feet apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a medium 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 full shade. Keep it well away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. 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.