Variegated Ribbon Dracaena

Dracaena sanderiana 'Variegata'



Variegated Ribbon Dracaena foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Variegated Lucky Bamboo

Description:

A popular patio plant that is easy to grow and care for; produces dark green leaves with contrasting yellow edges and stripes; beautiful in frost free beds and containers; quite cold tolerant and great for low light areas

Ornamental Features

Variegated Ribbon Dracaena's attractive sword-like leaves remain bluish-green in color with distinctive yellow edges and tinges of creamy white throughout the year on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth.

Landscape Attributes

Variegated Ribbon Dracaena is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other garden plants with finer foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and usually looks its best without pruning, although it will tolerate pruning. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Variegated Ribbon Dracaena is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Vertical Accent

Planting & Growing

Variegated Ribbon Dracaena will grow to be about 5 feet 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. Although it's not a true annual, this plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

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 does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is quite intolerant of urban pollution, therefore inner city or urban streetside plantings are best avoided. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.