Blue Ghost Dianella

Dianella revoluta 'Blue Ghost'

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 8

Other Names: Flax Lily, Paroo Lily, Blueberry Lily



Blue Ghost Dianella in bloom
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Blue Ghost Dianella flowers
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Description:

This tough, sturdy variety features rich silvery blue-green foliage that keeps its color, with strong, stiff upright growth; small blue flower clusters in spring are followed by blue berries; tolerates heat and full sun very well; a great container plant

Ornamental Features

Blue Ghost Dianella's attractive sword-like leaves remain grayish green in color with hints of silvery blue throughout the year on a plant with an arching habit of growth. It features delicate spikes of lavender star-shaped flowers with gold anthers rising above the foliage in mid spring. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It produces blue berries in early summer.

Landscape Attributes

Blue Ghost Dianella is a dense herbaceous evergreen perennial with a shapely form and gracefully arching foliage. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

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. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Blue Ghost Dianella is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Blue Ghost Dianella will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. 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 evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. 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.

Blue Ghost Dianella is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.