



White Crane Lily

Lilium formosanum 'White Crane'

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 16 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: ☐ ☒

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Description:

This dwarf variety produces long, narrow, fragrant white trumpets with a pink stripe down the back of each petal; perfect for containers or massing along borders

Ornamental Features

White Crane Lily features bold white trumpet-shaped flowers with chartreuse throats and pink stripes at the ends of the stems in mid summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its narrow leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

White Crane Lily is an herbaceous perennial with a rigidly upright and towering form. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects
- Disease

White Crane Lily is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use



White Crane Lily flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Planting & Growing

White Crane Lily will grow to be about 20 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 16 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. It grows at a fast 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 full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. 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 multiplication of the underground bulbs; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.