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Hyacinthus orientalis 'Jan Bos'

Plant Height: 6 inches

Flower Height: 10 inches

Spread: 6 inches

Spacing: 4 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Dutch Hyacinth

Description:

Highly fragrant, distinct reddish-pink blooms in spring, on robust, sturdy stems that will not fall over; plant among perennials and under leggy shrubs to get an early start on the growing season; great for containers

Ornamental Features

Jan Bos Hyacinth has masses of beautiful spikes of fragrant pink star-shaped flowers with scarlet overtones rising above the foliage from early to mid spring, which are most effective when planted in groupings. Its grassy leaves remain bluish-green in colour throughout the season. The brick red stems can be quite attractive.

Landscape Attributes

Jan Bos Hyacinth is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined 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.

Jan Bos Hyacinth is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting



Jan Bos Hyacinth flowers
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Jan Bos Hyacinth in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Jan Bos Hyacinth will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 10 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 6 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 4 inches apart. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 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! As this plant tends to go dormant in summer, it is best interplanted with late-season bloomers to hide the dying foliage.

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. Consider covering it with a thick layer of mulch in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America, and parts of it are known to be toxic to humans and animals, so care should be exercised in planting it around children and pets. 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.

Jan Bos Hyacinth 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 against which the larger 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. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.