Shadowland® Hope Springs Eternal Hosta

Hosta 'Hope Springs Eternal'



Shadowland Hope Springs Eternal Hosta
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Plant Height: 22 inches

Flower Height: 4 feet

Spread: 30 inches

Spacing: 30 inches

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Other Names: Plantain Lily, Funkia

Group/Class: Shadowland Collection

Description:

This bold variety features ruffled, heart shaped blue leaves with crisp, creamy white edges; provides outstanding contrast to other plants; near white flowers on tall spikes in summer; a versatile, colorful addition to the garden or landscape



Shadowland Hope Springs Eternal Hosta foliage
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Ornamental Features

Shadowland Hope Springs Eternal Hosta features dainty spikes of white tubular flowers rising above the foliage from early to mid summer. Its attractive textured heart-shaped leaves emerge grayish green in spring, turning steel blue in color with distinctive white edges and tinges of powder blue throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Shadowland Hope Springs Eternal Hosta is a dense herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. 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 is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

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- Insects

Shadowland Hope Springs Eternal Hosta is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover

Planting & Growing

Shadowland Hope Springs Eternal Hosta will grow to be about 22 inches tall at maturity extending to 4 feet tall with the flowers, with a spread of 30 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 30 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a slow 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 shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. 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.