



# Tears In Heaven Hosta Hosta 'Tears In Heaven'

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Other Names: Plantain Lily, Funkia

# **Description:**

This beautiful, cascading variety produces intensely blue, wedge shaped, ruffled leaves that retain their color all season; pale lavender flowers appear in late summer; an outstanding color accent for the garden or border



Tears In Heaven Hosta
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Tears In Heaven Hosta features dainty spikes of lavender tubular flowers rising above the foliage in late summer. Its attractive textured pointy leaves remain steel blue in colour with curious silvery blue undersides and tinges of grayish green throughout the season.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Tears In Heaven Hosta is a dense herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. 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 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;

- Insects

Tears In Heaven Hosta is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



## **Planting & Growing**

Tears In Heaven Hosta will grow to be about 15 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 28 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 24 inches apart. 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 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.