Hosta, Curly Fries

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Hosta, Curly Fries in bloom
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Hosta, Curly Fries foliage
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Plant Height: 6 inches

Flower Height: 16 inches

Spread: 16 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Other Names: Plantain Lily, Funkia

Description:

A dense dwarf variety with interesting, wiggly narrow foliage in tones of pale yellow and green; spikes of lavender flowers in mid-summer; a great textural plant in the garden or border

Ornamental Features

Hosta, Curly Fries features dainty spikes of lavender tubular flowers rising above the foliage in mid summer. Its attractive twisted narrow leaves emerge yellow in spring, turning light green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Hosta, Curly Fries 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

Hosta, Curly Fries is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover



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Planting & Growing

Hosta, Curly Fries will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 16 inches tall with the flowers, 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. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. 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.