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Paradise Island Hosta Hosta 'Paradise Island'

Plant Height: 16 inches

Flower Height: 32 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 20 inches

Sunlight: 0

Hardiness Zone: 2a

Other Names: Plantain Lily, Funkia

#### **Description:**

Stunning golden-yellow leaves have dramatic dark green jetting and red petioles whose color extends up to the leaf base; light purple flowers emerge on tall scapes in summer; a great hosta for brightening up a dark spot

## **Ornamental Features**

Paradise Island Hosta features dainty spikes of lavender tubular flowers rising above the foliage in mid summer. Its attractive textured oval leaves emerge yellow in spring, turning gold in colour with showy dark green variegation throughout the season.

#### Landscape Attributes

Paradise Island 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

Paradise Island Hosta is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



Paradise Island Hosta foliage Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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### **Planting & Growing**

Paradise Island Hosta will grow to be about 16 inches tall at maturity extending to 32 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 20 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.