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Fried Bananas Hosta

Hosta 'Fried Bananas'

Plant Height: 24 inches

Flower Height: 3 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Spacing: 4 feet

Sunlight: ● ●

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Other Names: Plantain Lily, Funkia

Description:

This radiant hosta produces bright glossy gold leaves that are symmetrical and ridged; color intensifies in bright light; provides beautiful texture and contrast to other plants; elegant white spikes of large flowers later in summer

Ornamental Features

Fried Bananas Hosta features dainty spikes of white tubular flowers rising above the foliage in late summer. Its attractive glossy oval leaves remain gold in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Fried Bananas 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;



Fried Bananas Hosta foliage
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- Insects

Fried Bananas Hosta is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Fried Bananas Hosta will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity extending to 3 feet tall with the flowers, with a spread of 4 feet. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 4 feet apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast 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.



Fried Bananas Hosta flowers
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