



Siberian Iris

Siberian iris (Iris sibirica), make a stunning display in gardens and will burst into flower during spring. Groups planted as a background border display will look particularly stunning when combined with other early spring flowering plants. Siberian Iris are an easy plant to grow and care for.

Where to Grow

- *Plant in a position where they will get a full day's sun. While they will grow in partial shade, blooms will be more plentiful with stronger light.*
- *Planted in garden beds, they will require extra watering particularly while establishing during the first year.*
- *Plants thrive in acidic, heavy, clay soils, and love moist but not soggy conditions.*
- *Depending on the variety, Siberian Iris can grow in height anywhere between 30cm and up to 90cm.*

Planting

- *Plant in gardens or containers during Spring and early summer*
- *If planting rhizomes plant late Autumn and early winter when they are dormant*
- *Plant your Siberian Iris deeper than other Iris, covering the rhizomes with 30cms of soil.*
- *Space your plants 60cm apart.*
- *Siberian Iris prefer acidic soil (pH 5.5 to 6.9). Peat moss, compost, and humus all work as soil enhancers*

Care

- *Keep the soil consistently moist until the plants are established, for about a year. Water established plants regularly when drought conditions exist.*
- *Feed Siberian iris plants in spring with a nitrogen rich fertilizer and fertilize again when blooms are spent.*
- *After Flowering has finished for the season leave the foliage in place; don't cut it off as this is when the plant gathers sunlight and nourishment for the following season.*
- *Divide clumps very three to five years, when clumps become crowded this will ensure continuing blooms each year. Late Autumn or early winter is the best time to divide clumps.*