Crowning Glory™ Purple Reign Pineapple Lily

Eucomis 'Purple Reign'



Crowning Glory Purple Reign Pineapple Lily
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Plant Height: 18 inches

Flower Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 6a

Description:

A wonderful upright selection featuring striking deep burgundy foliage that holds its color throughout the summer; spikes of attractive pinkish-mauve flowers with burgundy tones rise up in late summer; lift in colder climates, mulch in milder ones

Ornamental Features

Crowning Glory Purple Reign Pineapple Lily features bold spikes of lightly-scented shell pink star-shaped flowers with purple overtones from mid summer to early fall. Its attractive sword-like leaves remain burgundy in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Crowning Glory Purple Reign Pineapple Lily is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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 plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and may require the occasional pruning to look its best. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Crowning Glory Purple Reign Pineapple Lily is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Crowning Glory Purple Reign Pineapple Lily will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity extending to 24 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 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 full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by multiplication of the underground bulbs; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Crowning Glory Purple Reign Pineapple Lily is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.