

Botanical Name: Phormium tenax 'Aurea Nana'

Common Name: Dwarf variegated flax

Type of Plant: monocot; shrub Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape dense clumping plant with stiff, swordlike leaves, very compact; looks rigid and awkward compared to other more graceful hybrids

Height to 18" Spread to 2 ft. Growth Rate slow

Environment:

Exposure outdoor full sun or partial shade

Soil tolerates most any soil

Hardiness hardy (zones 7-9, 14-24)

Morphology:

Leaves stiff, swordlike leaves to 15" long, 2" across, medium green with creamy white edges

Flowers small raceme of yellow-orange flowers held above foliage; rare in this variety

Fruit small capsule, cylindrical to 1" long

Propagation: division

Usage: small accent for foliage color and form -- very valuable for small gardens, rock gardens, subtropical landscapes

Landscape Care:

Watering takes average watering

Fertilizing balanced in spring

Pruning thin as required, remove dead flower stalks

Pests/Diseases tip burn and salt burn

Special Conditions

Origin: New Zealand Family: Agavaceae