

Botanical Name: Hymenocallis narcissiflora

Common Name: Peruvian daffodil, Basket flower

Type of Plant: monocot: perennial Family Amaryllidaceae

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape Large, clumping perennial with strap-like leaves up to 2 ft.
or more; forms a large arching mass with spider-like flowers held above foliage

Height to 3 ft. Spread 4 ft. or more Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun to partial shade; thrives under trees

Soil prefers a rich, well-drained soil; avoid heavy clay soils

Hardiness hardy; zones 5, 6, 8, 14-24

Morphology:

Leaves Large, strap-like leaves; to 3" wide, 3ft. long or more;
rich green color with prominent mid-rib

Flowers White, funnel-shaped center with spidery petals to 3" long
protruding from center; usually in clusters from 3 to 5

Fruit fleshy capsule to 3/4" long

Propagation: division or seed

Usage: appreciated for exotic flowers, tropical foliage; used in
tropical or temperate landscapes, mixed with other bulb or in perennial beds

Landscape Care:

Watering needs regular watering when growing and flowering; needs
little care and water during winter months

Fertilizing balanced, slow-release in spring

Pruning remove dead leaves in fall (plant goes deciduous)

Pests/Diseases none major; snails may injure foliage

Other bulbs are poisonous if eaten

Origin: Eastern Peru, Western Bolivia - Andes