

Botanical Name: Agapanthus orientalis

Common Name: Lily of the Nile

Type of Plant: monocot: perennial Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape loose, clumping habit of strap-shaped, bright green leaves
which arise from a fleshy, basal stem

Height 1-1/2' - 3' Spread 1' - 4' Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun, partial shade (does best in part shade if hot)

Soil prefers moist loam, tolerates poor soils

Hardiness some frost (zones 7-9, 12-24)

Morphology:

Leaves strap-like, fleshy, bright green, arching upward and out-
ward, 1-3' long, blunt tipped

Flowers spectacular blue/white, funnel shaped flowers, 1-2' long,
on 2-4' long umbel stalks -- late spring, summer

Fruit small, tan capsule, 1/2-1" long

Propagation: seed, division of clump

Usage: low filler--foliage, flowers, in a wide variety of
landscapes; massed plantings, informal borders

Landscape Care:

Watering regular, survives drought, but looks better with more
frequent watering

Fertilizing balanced in spring

Pruning cut off old flower stalks, remove old leaves

Pests/Diseases snails/slugs--gets some salt burn

Special Conditions keep away from reflected heat for best appearance

Origin: South Africa Family: Amaryllidaceae