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## **Canadian Blue Hosta**

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# Canadian Blue Hosta Hosta 'Canadian Blue'

Hardiness Zone: 3

#### **Description:**

A beautiful large variety featuring dense mounds of deep blue-green, heart shaped leaves; pale lavender flowers appear in mid-summer; adds texture, contrast and color to garden beds; prefers shaded areas; direct sun will fade color; low maintenance

Canadian Blue Hosta foliage Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Canadian Blue Hosta features dainty spikes of lavender bell-shaped flowers rising above the foliage in mid summer. Its attractive large textured heart-shaped leaves emerge bluish-green in spring, turning blue in colour throughout the season.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Canadian Blue Hosta is a dense herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. Its wonderfully bold, coarse texture can be very effective in a balanced garden composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Canadian Blue Hosta is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover

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#### **Planting & Growing**

Canadian Blue Hosta will grow to be about 20 inches tall at maturity, 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 partial shade to 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. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.