



Hosta Planting Guide

About Hosta

Hostas are the queen of shade plants! Their lush foliage, and low maintenance nature make them a benevolent ruler in the garden.

When to Plant

Plant in Spring or Fall

Where to Plant

Hostas prefer partial shade to shade (Approximately 2 1/2 hours of morning sun and afternoon shade) and need protection from the hot summer sun. Blue Hostas need more shade to retain their color. Thick leaved Hostas will tolerate more sun compared to thin leaved varieties. Soil should be well-draining.

How to Plant

Plant Hostas with the roots pointing downwards and the eye just below soil level. Space bulbs according to the mature width of the variety.

Caring for Hosta

Hostas like a good watering weekly. Should you choose to, or need to due to poor soil, fertilize in spring to mid-summer with a balanced 10-10-10 fertilizer. Cease feeding after July to allow the plant to harden for the winter.

Hosta blooms usually occur mid-summer. Both leaves and flowers can be cut from the plant without harm. When finished blooming, remove the dead stalks. It takes 4-8 years for a Hosta to reach full size. Propagate by dividing crowded clumps in the spring when new shoots appear.