



Before The Storm Iris

Iris 'Before The Storm'

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Group/Class: Tall Bearded

Description:

Dark purple black flowers are held upright on strong stems; lightly fragrant

Ornamental Features

Before The Storm Iris features showy deep purple flag-like flowers with black overtones and a blue beard at the ends of the stems in late spring. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its sword-like leaves remain green in color throughout the season. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

Landscape Attributes

Before The Storm Iris is an herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Before The Storm Iris is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



Before The Storm Iris flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Gertens *Plant Info.*

Planting & Growing

Before The Storm Iris will grow to be about 3 feet 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 18 inches apart. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. 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.

Gertens Sizes and Prices

#1 container - \$19.99 * Sizes and availability are subject to change. Please check with the store for specific details.

