Magenta Magic Yucca

Yucca aloifolia 'Magenta Magic'



Magenta Magic Yucca
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Height: 30 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 7a

Other Names: Syn. Yucca Indigo Dagger

Description:

This compact variety bears graceful, blue-green arching leaves that are cast in purple in cooler temperatures; spikes of white, pendulous bell flowers in summer; good for dry sites and coastal areas; great for borders, patios and containers

Ornamental Features

Magenta Magic Yucca features bold panicles of white bell-shaped flowers rising above the foliage from mid to late summer. It has attractive bluish-green foliage with hints of plum purple. The sword-like leaves are highly ornamental and turn an outstanding plum purple in the fall, which persists throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Magenta Magic Yucca is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Magenta Magic Yucca is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Magenta Magic Yucca will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It has a low canopy. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selection of a native North American species.

Magenta Magic Yucca makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.