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Temptation Purple Dahlia

Dahlia 'Temptation Purple'



Temptation Purple Dahlia flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Temptation Series

Description:

A wonderful heat tolerant variety, well suited for patio containers, borders and garden landscapes; featuring fuchsia colored blooms, contrasting against deep and dark green foliage with black overtones; low maintenance, deadhead to encourage new growth



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Ornamental Features

Temptation Purple Dahlia features showy fully double fuchsia daisy flowers at the ends of the stems from mid to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its serrated pointy leaves remain dark green in color with hints of black throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Temptation Purple Dahlia is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Temptation Purple Dahlia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

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Planting & Growing

Temptation Purple Dahlia will grow to be about 16 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. The flower stalks can be weak and so it may require staking in exposed sites or excessively rich soils. Although it's not a true annual, this plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

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 pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. 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.

Temptation Purple Dahlia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.