

Phormium 'Purple Haze' – Dwarf New Zealand Flax



Phormium is considered as a species of 2 plants genus within the Xanthorrhoeaceae family. 1 species is widespread to New Zealand as well as the other is local to Norfolk Island and New Zealand. The 2 species are broadly known within New Zealand as flax and away as Flax lily or New Zealand flax but aren't associated to Flax which's local to the area extending from eastern Mediterranean to India and was utilized by humans in 30,000 B.C.

Height: It can grow 3 to 4 feet

Uses: The plant has different medicinal uses. It is also used for making a kind of line clothing, baskets as well as ropes.

Planting tips: Growing Phormium will be very easy if you offer the plant what they demand

Soil type: This plant performs very well in fertile and well drained soil. It might require protection in northern climes. It can also grow well in sand or loam soil.

Aspects: Full sun to partial shade

Pruning: Dead and damaged leaves must be taken away in the spring

Water requirement: It requires lots of water once established. However you should not overwater it because it can damage its root considerably.

Pests and problems: The main problem in this plant is pests can be hidden inside the leaf base, so it is essential to pull out the pests or spray required pesticides in it. Mealybugs can also attack this plant, so be careful about it.

Climate: It performs exceeding well in Australian region like Brisbane and Melbourne.