Webmaster Spiderwort

Tradescantia x andersoniana 'Webmaster'



Webmaster Spiderwort flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 14 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 3b

Description:

An extremely long blooming selection, producing large clusters of purple flowers with soft lilac edges from early summer until fall; glaucous blue-green foliage; great for patio containers, or massing along border fronts

Ornamental Features

Webmaster Spiderwort has masses of beautiful clusters of purple flowers with lilac purple overtones and yellow anthers at the ends of the stems from early to late summer, which are most effective when planted in groupings. Its narrow leaves remain bluish-green in color throughout the season.



Webmaster Spiderwort in bloom
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Landscape Attributes

Webmaster Spiderwort is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Webmaster Spiderwort is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens

Planting & Growing

Webmaster Spiderwort will grow to be about 18 inches 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 14 inches apart. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen! As this plant tends to go dormant in summer, it is best interplanted with late-season bloomers to hide the dying foliage.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. 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.