

# **Ritchie**

## **FEED & SEED INC.**



### **Big Blue Lily Turf**

*Liriope muscari 'Big Blue'*

Plant Height: 18 inches

Flower Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ● ●

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Border Grass, Lilyturf

#### **Description:**

A tufted grass like perennial, presenting a clump of arching, glossy, dark green leaves; features a beautiful display of lovely powdery blue flower spikes in late summer; best used as an edging plant or massed as a groundcover

#### **Ornamental Features**

Big Blue Lily Turf features dainty spikes of powder blue flowers rising above the foliage in late summer. Its attractive glossy grassy leaves remain dark green in colour throughout the season. It features an abundance of magnificent black berries in early fall.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Big Blue Lily Turf is a dense herbaceous perennial with a ground-hugging 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 is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.



*Big Blue Lily Turf flowers*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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Big Blue Lily Turf is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover

### **Planting & Growing**

Big Blue Lily Turf will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity extending to 24 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 24 inches. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. 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!

This plant does best in partial shade to 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

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