

# Ritchie

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### Dream Queen Hosta

*Hosta 'Dream Queen'*

Height: 30 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 20 inches

Sunlight: ● ●

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Other Names: Plantain Lily, Funkia

#### Description:

This vigorous hosta has graceful heart shaped leaves with wide sea-green margins with a yellow to cream center; provides beautiful texture and contrast to other plants; lovely white spikes of flowers in mid-summer

#### Ornamental Features

Dream Queen Hosta features dainty spikes of white tubular flowers rising above the foliage in mid summer. Its attractive textured heart-shaped leaves remain bluish-green in colour with showy buttery yellow variegation and tinges of creamy white throughout the season.

#### Landscape Attributes

Dream Queen Hosta is a dense herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.



*Dream Queen Hosta foliage*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Dream Queen Hosta is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

### **Planting & Growing**

Dream Queen Hosta will grow to be about 26 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 20 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a slow 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 prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. 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.

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