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# Shadowland® Echo The Sun Hosta Hosta 'Echo The Sun'

Plant Height: 20 inches
Flower Height: 4 feet
Spread: 28 inches
Spacing: 26 inches
Sunlight: •

Hardiness Zone: 3

Other Names: Plantain Lily, Funkia Group/Class: Shadowland Collection

## **Description:**

This stunning variety features heart shaped yellow leaves with rippled margins; provides outstanding contrast to other plants; pale lavender flowers on tall spikes in mid-summer; a versatile, colorful addition to the garden or landscape

#### **Ornamental Features**

Shadowland Echo The Sun Hosta features dainty spikes of lavender tubular flowers rising above the foliage in mid summer. Its attractive textured heart-shaped leaves remain yellow in colour with hints of chartreuse throughout the season.

## **Landscape Attributes**

Shadowland Echo The Sun Hosta is a dense herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other garden plants with finer foliage.

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



Shadowland Echo The Sun Hosta in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Shadowland Echo The Sun Hosta foliage Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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Shadowland Echo The Sun Hosta is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

### **Planting & Growing**

Shadowland Echo The Sun Hosta will grow to be about 20 inches tall at maturity extending to 4 feet tall with the flowers, with a spread of 28 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 26 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.