



Visit any of our store locations to discuss your plant selections with one of our lawn & garden experts!

Brookfield

14845 W Capitol Drive
(262) 783-2323

Milwaukee

5400 S. 27th Street
(414) 761-5400

Wauwatosa

12217 Watertown Plank
(414) 763-6599

Greenfield

3725 S. 108th Street
(414) 328-5600

Waukesha

2220 E Moreland Blvd
(262) 797-7070

Racine

6626 Washington Ave
(262) 886-7900

Mequon

10850 N Port Washington
(262) 241-2121

West Bend

601 Wildwood Road
(262) 338-5252

Appleton

4860 W Wisconsin Ave
(920) 735-7777

Oshkosh

300 S. Koeller Street
(920) 426-6300

Green Bay

980 Waube Lane
(920) 339-2200

Big Bend

571 W23445 National
(262) 662-5800

Kenosha

6300 Green Bay Road
(262) 605-0280

Germantown

W184 N9676 Appleton
(262) 253-1147

Oconomowoc

1570 Unity Drive
(262) 560-4191

Bellevue

2727 Eaton Road
(920) 884-2255

Kimberly

710 Cobblestone Lane
(920) 687-5013



Persian Shield

Strobilanthes dyerianus



Persian Shield foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

This shrub or subshrub is primarily grown for its stunning iridescent purple foliage; leaves have contrasting black veins and a silver cast when mature; pinch stems to promote bushiness; best foliage color in part shade; can be overwintered indoors

Ornamental Features

Persian Shield's attractive large glossy pointy leaves emerge deep purple in spring, turning purple in color with distinctive black veins and tinges of silver the rest of the year on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth. It features dainty spikes of violet trumpet-shaped flowers rising above the foliage from late fall to late winter.

Landscape Attributes

Persian Shield is a multi-stemmed annual with an upright spreading 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 plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Persian Shield is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

We are so proud of the nursery stock that we have carefully selected for superior quality and performance, WE GUARANTEE ALL TREES, SHRUBS, EVERGREENS FOR 2 YEARS, AND ROSES FOR 1 YEAR!



Visit any of our store locations to discuss your plant selections with one of our lawn & garden experts!

Brookfield

14845 W Capitol Drive
(262) 783-2323

Milwaukee

5400 S. 27th Street
(414) 761-5400

Wauwatosa

12217 Watertown Plank
(414) 763-6599

Greenfield

3725 S. 108th Street
(414) 328-5600

Waukesha

2220 E Moreland Blvd
(262) 797-7070

Racine

6626 Washington Ave
(262) 886-7900

Mequon

10850 N Port Washington
(262) 241-2121

West Bend

601 Wildwood Road
(262) 338-5252

Appleton

4860 W Wisconsin Ave
(920) 735-7777

Oshkosh

300 S. Koeller Street
(920) 426-6300

Green Bay

980 Waube Lane
(920) 339-2200

Big Bend

571 W23445 National
(262) 662-5800

Kenosha

6300 Green Bay Road
(262) 605-0280

Germantown

W184 N9676 Appleton
(262) 253-1147

Oconomowoc

1570 Unity Drive
(262) 560-4191

Bellevue

2727 Eaton Road
(920) 884-2255

Kimberly

710 Cobblestone Lane
(920) 687-5013

Planting & Growing

Persian Shield will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. 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 species is not originally from North America. It can be propagated by cuttings.

Persian Shield is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.

We are so proud of the nursery stock that we have carefully selected for superior quality and performance, WE GUARANTEE ALL TREES, SHRUBS, EVERGREENS FOR 2 YEARS, AND ROSES FOR 1 YEAR!