

Rhoeo Spathacea Tricolor, Rhoeo Variegated - Plant

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5 inch Grower Round Plastic Pot (Black)

Description for Rhoeo Spathacea Tricolor, Rhoeo Variegated

Plant height: 5 - 9 inches (12 - 23 cm)

Plant spread: 4 - 6 inches (10 - 16 cm)

Rhoeo spathacea is the synonym of *Tradescantia spathacea*. Moses in the Cradle is a rather succulent herb with a dense cluster of sturdy sword-shaped leaves arising from a trunklike stem. The leaves are a dark teal-tinged forest green on top and vivid violet underneath. The small white three-petaled flowers are hidden in boat-shaped purple bracts nestled in the leaf axils.

Flowers and seed are produced all year. Probably, the boat-shaped bracts with a small white flower in the middle look like an eye.

Common name(s): Moses in the Cradle, Oysterplant, Boatlily, Moses-in-a-boat

Flower colours: White

Bloom time: Not defined

Max reachable height: 0.50 to 1 feet

Difficulty to grow: Easy to grow

Planting and care

Rhoeo spathacea can be propagated by seeds, cuttings, or division. In most areas, *Rhoeo* is considered an annual, though, in fact, it is a tender perennial. This means that it can only tolerate temperatures down to about -6 degree Celsius before they are killed off. Keep in mind that this is the temperature that will kill them. Overwatering should be prevented when only when the soil feels dry to touch.

Proper drainage facilities should be provided to the plant otherwise the roots rot.

Sunlight: Full sun to part shade

Soil: Well-drained soil

Water: Medium

Temperature: 20 degrees C to 30 degrees C

Fertilizer: Apply any organic fertilizer

Caring for *Rhoeo Spathacea Tricolor*

- Water the tricolor *rhoeo* once per week. Water slowly and deeply down through the roots.
- In the first growing season, it is especially important to maintain a consistent watering schedule to ensure a strong, healthy root system.
- Proper drainage facilities should be provided to the plant otherwise the roots rot.
- It need well-drained soil rich in organic matter.
- It grows best in full-to-partial sunlight, though it also flourishes under bright interior lights.

Typical uses of *Rhoeo Spathacea Tricolor*

Special features: As a houseplant, grow in hanging baskets or along shelves. Outdoors, it forms an excellent ground cover.

Culinary use: NA

Ornamental use: The plant proved to be the excellent ground cover and a perfect hanging basket plant.

Medicinal use: NA

References

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