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Plant spread:

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Common name(s): giant taro, É»ape, giant alocasia and pai

Flower colours: white

Bloom time: Seasonal bloomer

Max reachable height: 12.00 to 15.00 feet

Difficulty to grow: easy to grow

Planting and care

Enrich the soil with leaf mold or well-rotted organic matter to encourage good drainage. Dig a hole 2 to 3 times as deep as the bulbs are high and set the bulb in the hole pointy side up. Fill the hole with soil and tamp gently. Space bulbs at a distance equal to 3 times the bulb's diameter. For a good effect, plant plants in groups of 3 to 5 bulbs.

Sunlight: full sun

Soil: well-drained soil

Water: medium

Temperature: 60-65 degrees F

Fertilizer: apply any organic fertilizer

Caring for Alocasia macrorrhiza

Diligently water your plants. Soak the entire root zone at least twice a week in dry summer weather. Avoid frequent shallow sprinklings, which won't reach the deeper roots and may encourage fungus. Plants do best with 90 inches of rain per year, so unless you live in a rain forest, water regularly.

Typical uses of Alocasia macrorrhiza

Special features: Bold foliage plant for frost-free areas in part shade. In areas where not winter hardy, plants may be grown in containers that are overwintered indoors. Also may be grown as a houseplant (best in sun room or hothouse). Plants grown indoors need high humidity.

Culinary use: It is edible if cooked for a long time but its sap irritates the skin due to calcium oxalate crystals

Ornamental use: The plant is used for ornamental purpose.

Medicinal use: Alocasia macrorrhiza also known as giant taro, elephant s ear is a member of Araceace family. It is commonly used as a decorative plant. It is also used in many parts of the world as traditional herbal medicine in diverse ailments.

References

<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/> <http://www.flowersofindia.net/>

Reviews

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