

Nymphaea Caerulea, Hybrid Lotus (Blue) - Plant



It is one of the most majestic plants to have in a water garden. It is by far the most exotic of all pond plants. They are very easy to grow once you understand the basic care of them.

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Description

Description for *Nymphaea Caerulea*, Hybrid Lotus (Blue)

Best grown in moist, acidic, humusy soils in part shade to full shade. Plants may be grown from seed, but will not flower for 4-5 years. Quicker and better results are obtained from planting corms which are sold by many bulb suppliers and nurseries. In addition, offsets from mature plants may be harvested and planted

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
<i>Nymphaea Caerulea</i> , Hybrid Lotus (Blue), Blue lotus, sacred blue lily, Hybrid Lotus (Blue), blue Egyptian lotus, blue water lily (or blue Egyptian water lily, sacred narcotic lily of the Nile,	Blue	April	upto 0.50 feet	easy to grow

Planting and care

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Full Sun	Muddy water	They grow in water	21 C	Apply any organic fertilizer

Caring for *Nymphaea Caerulea*

- The Lotus plant should be fertilized sparingly for the first year.
- Too much fertilizer may cause the Lotus foliage to burn.
- A Lotus plant that is established can be fed every 3 or 4 weeks during the growing season.
- Care must be taken when inserting fertilizer tabs, because the growing tip and new growth can be damaged.
- It is important to protect the Lotus roots from freezing.
- Lotus can winter over in the pond if the pond depth is below the freeze line for your area.
- In late fall, the yellowed foliage should be cut off and the plant lowered to the deepest part of the pond.
- Or you may lift the tubers after the plant has died back during the fall.
- If you lift the tubers, store them in a cool, frost-free location until late spring.
- To help prevent mildew and rotting, store them in living sphagnum moss.

Typical uses of *Nymphaea Caerulea*

Special features: Naturalize in moist soils in shaded areas of native plant gardens, shade gardens, woodland gardens or wild/naturalized areas. Also grows well in pond or stream banks or in shady areas of rock gardens.

Medicinal use: The flower is used to brew lotus teas, which relieves cardiac complications and helps to stop bleeding.

References

<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/PlantFinderDetails.aspx?kempercode=a748> <http://www.almanac.com/plant/lilies>