

## Tradescantia Pallida, Purple Queen, Purple Secretia - Plant



Bunches of rich purple, lance-shaped leaves make this a beautiful house plant year-round. Pot it in a small decorative container for an eye-catching table accent.

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Description

### Description for Tradescantia Pallida, Purple Queen, Purple Secretia

With its brilliant purple leaves and vines and its vigorous nature, a purple heart plant will attract the attention of visitors. Purple heart plant, also called purple queen, is a type of spiderwort grown as a perennial ground cover. The plant produces attractive pink flowers in addition to its bright foliage and grows in partial shade outdoors and bright filtered light indoors.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
spider lily	-	Seasonal bloomer	Trails to 2 ft	easy to grow

### Planting and care

With purple heart plant, propagating cuttings is as simple as sticking them directly in moist garden or potting soil, and keeping them moist until you see signs of new growth. Take cuttings from indoor purple heart plants whenever it is actively growing and from outdoor plants in the spring or summer.

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Bright light. Some direct sun is fine, but keep your plant shaded from strong summer sun.	Peat moss-based potting mix.	Water thoroughly, then allow the top 1 in (2.5 cm) to dry out between waterings.	18 C - 26 C	N-P-K ratio 10-10-10

### Caring for Tradescantia Pallida

Let the sun shine in. Grow your plant in bright light year-round for good foliage color. It will grow in lower light, but the leaves will be more green than purple. Give it some direct sun, but shade it from noontday sun in summer to avoid scorching its leaves.

## Typical uses of Tradescantia Pallida

**Special features:** Groundcover or edging that provides color and contrast to other plants. Excellent in containers. Downward-trailing stems are ideal for hanging baskets. Rock gardens, borders fronts, wall plantings.

**Ornamental use:** The plant is used for ornamental purpose.

## References

<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/PlantFinderDetails.aspx?kempercode=c137> <http://www.guide-to-houseplants.com/tradescantia-pallida.html>