

Bright Ideas Black Potato Vine



Plant with Zinnias, Coleus, or Wave Petunias for a stunning contrast in shape and texture.



Ipomea batatas 'Bright Ideas Black'

- **Use:** Our interest in these Sweet Potatoes is not in the edible roots but in the attractive foliage of our two ornamental varieties. Their large and colorful leaves cascade from containers in a seemingly endless stream all summer long, and their trailing habit makes them equally useful as striking, short-term ground covers or as skirts for upright plants. More compact growth than Blackie.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Plants thrive in full sun or partial shade with consistent moisture. Use slow release fertilizer two times a year. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry.
- **Growth:** This plant has a short, mounded look that stays within a foot of the crown. Grows 6 inches tall with a spread of 12 inches.
- **Hardiness:** 9-10 ; Annual in this zone unless you dig up the potatoes and store them in the garage over winter.
- **Foliage:** Dark black leaves in sun, pale green in partial shade.
- **Flower:** Not very noticeable flowers.