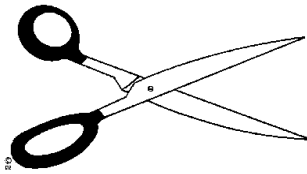


Dark Side of the Moon Astilbe



Astilbe 'Dark Side of the Moon'

- **Use:** An instant classic for the landscape! 'Dark Side of the Moon' is the only dark leaved Astilbe with purple flowers that's on the market. This performs best both for growing and flowering in full sun in the north with adequate moisture, but also grows in shade.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers part sun! Use slow release or water soluble fertilizer. Prefers to be kept moist and likes rich soil. Keep soil moist watering under leaves and flowers for best results. Drought tolerant once established
- **Growth:** Grows 20-24" tall and 22-28" wide comes back every year.
- **Hardiness:** **Zone** 4a-9b; Perennial. Mulch around plant in the winter. Make sure they have well drained soil in the winter.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Rich deep chocolate brown leaves. New leaves are yellow with a dark margin turning completely dark as they age.
- **Flower:** Raspberry buds open to rosy purple flowers in spring.

Astilbe lend a refined grace to perennial borders and are considered essential to the shade garden. Perennial Spirea produce stunning plume-like flowers that move with the slightest breeze. Plants display lush deeply-cut green to bronze foliage that remains attractive for the entire growing season. Deer resistant.

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