

# Black Ruffles Elephant Ears



The ruffled edges give this selection an elegant look.

## *Colocasia esculenta* 'Black Ruffles'

- **Use:** We're in awe at the way light bounces off of each rippled leaf of this captivating Elephant ear, leaving a bold, reflective sheen. Given the slightest movement of air, dark-maroon undersides add yet another element of intrigue, supported by near-black stems. This a sport of Black Magic with more ruffled leaves.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Sun– part shade. Provide well-drained, moist soil, but not soggy. Use a slow release fertilizer. The more water and fertilizer they get the better. Could grow in a well aerated pond.
- **Growth:** It makes a giant clump to 4-5' tall with a similar spread.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 7b-10, perennial, mulch 1' around plant in fall
- **Foliage:** Ruffled, dark chocolate leaves on strong, nearly-black stems .
- **Flower:** Not known for flowers.