## Purple Reign Pineapple Lily





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Eucomis are a tropical looking perennial native of South Africa. They are nicknamed "Pineapple Lily" for their tall inflorescence and spiky tops that look like the tropical fruit. Excellent as a perennial thriller in containers or the landscape.





## Eucomis 'Purple Reign'

- <u>Use:</u> No matter which way you slice it, this new collection of Pineapple Lilies from Proven Winners is going to stand out in your garden. The rigidly upright flower spikes offer a unique tropical flair, showing passing resemblance to a pineapple while in bloom. Members of this collection are notably compact, perfect for the front of the border or for use as a thriller in a mixed container. Expect to wait a few weeks to see these plants in spring, Pineapple Lilies (like Hardy Hibiscus) are among the last perennials to wake from their winter sleep. Eucomis grow from a bulb and need to be planted deep like a hardy Lilium (Tiger Lily) so that the flower stalk grows upright and to ensure winter hardiness. Deer resistant.
- <u>Exposure/Soil</u>: Full sun, midday shade is appreciated in the hottest areas. Provide well-drained, moist soil, but not soggy. Use a slow release fertilizer. For the best performance plant where they'll receive little moisture in winter and spring, but average amounts in summer.
- <u>Growth</u>: Grows upright to 18-20" tall and 24" wide
- <u>Hardiness</u>: Zone 6-9; Perennial
- **Foliage**: Deciduous. Gets its name from the deep burgundy color of its spring foliage. The foliage holds its dark color well into summer when the flowers begin to come up.
- <u>Flowers:</u> Star-shaped flowers open blush pink and darken to a deep mauve, lasting for many weeks. Acute leaves top the stems, reminiscent of a pineapple. Try this plant as a cut flower.

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