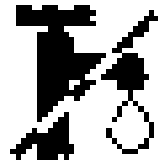


# Black Gamecock Louisiana Iris



**Louisiana Irises typically bloom after both Siberian and Tall Bearded Irises have finished blooming for the season.**



## *Iris 'Black Gamecock'*

- **Use:** If you're new to Louisiana Irises, this is the right place to start! You can't go wrong with this top award winner. It is known for having "outrageous vigor", multiplying quickly when sited properly in consistently moist to boggy soil or shallow water.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Plant in full sun to partial shade, in fertile well drained soil. Use slow release fertilizer two times a year. Their thick roots drive down deeply, which makes them drought resistant (though they also thrive in damp soil) and great plants for holding steep banks in place. Each clump becomes huge, and when a group of them grows together, weeds can't grow in between.
- **Growth:** Grows 2-3' tall and 2' wide. Divide every 3-4 years. Space new container grown plants 18" - 24" apart.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 4-10; Perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Narrow, lance-shaped leaves. After bloom, the grassy leaves stand erect and green through the growing season.
- **Flower:** Blooming reliably each year, huge 4-6" blossoms open flat to display their regal velvety deep purple flowers with the narrowest gold signal on each petal. The bloom time varies by climate, but typically ranges from late spring into midsummer. This is certainly one of the most beautiful of all native cultivars!

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