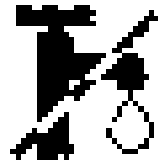


# Ming Treasure Iris



## *Iris ampliflora* 'Ming Treasure'

- **Use:** A new hybrid discovery of the past decade, *I. ampliflora* is an unknown interspecific hybrid possibly involving *I. tectorum* (Japanese Roof Iris) and is sterile. The original hybrid was found naturally occurring in the south central region of China, notable among other species for its impressive large plant and flower size. 'Ming Treasure' is a vigorous selection of this new species and can perhaps best be described as *I. tectorum* on steroids. A mature clump in its glory is simply breathtaking. Deer resistant.
- **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 36" tall. Divide every 3-4 years. Space new container grown plants 18" - 24" apart.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 5-8 Perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Narrow, lance-shaped leaves. After bloom, the grassy leaves stand erect and green through the growing season.
- **Flower:** The plant is significantly larger than most other species of Iris and has a commanding presence in the landscape. Numerous 4½" flowers are mid-violet with a yellow crest and small white signal area, appearing on well-branched scapes.

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