

Eco Bluebird Iris



A consistently strong performer, more thick and robust than the species. Very attractive, versatile and easy to care for.



Iris cristata 'Eco Bluebird'

- **Use:** a cultivar of *Iris cristata* (crested iris) with deep purple flowers and medium green foliage that forms a solid groundcover. ... *cristata* forms a carpet of small flowers that are attractive to hummingbirds. This species makes a good addition to shaded rock gardens, perennial borders, and woodland gardens.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers rich, well-drained soils in full to partial shade. If grown in full sun, the soil must remain consistently moist. Benefits from the addition of lime and rich, organic materials. Is rhizomatous and can be propagated by division after flowering is done with a sharp spade or pulling apart entangled rhizomes (which actually give rise to healthier plants). Best used as a seasonal groundcover, in rock gardens, or added for woodland color.
- **Growth:** Grows 6-10" tall and 12-15" wide. Divide every 3-4 years.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 5-9; Perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Fan shaped leaves.
- **Flower:** Blue-purple flowers with orange crests and white throats surrounded by navy blue.