Sweet Caroline Sweetheart Jet Black™ Sweet Potato Vine

Ipomoea batatas 'NCORNSP-021SHJB'

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 30 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Sweet Caroline Series

Description:

Excellent as an annual ground cover, or in combinations and containers; adaptable to sun and shade conditions; colors are deeper and brighter in full sun, in shadier environments colors are tinged with more green.

Features & Attributes

Sweet Caroline Sweetheart Jet Black Sweet Potato Vine is primarily valued in the home for its spreading and trailing habit of growth. It features subtle lilac purple trumpet-shaped flowers along the stems from early to late summer. Its attractive heart-shaped leaves emerge chartreuse, turning black in color with curious deep purple undersides throughout the year.

This is a dense herbaceous houseplant with a trailing habit of growth, eventually spilling over the edges of hanging baskets and containers. This plant may benefit from an occasional pruning to look its best.



Sweet Caroline Sweetheart Jet Black Sweet Potato Vine foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Sweet Caroline Sweetheart Jet Black Sweet Potato Vine flowers
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Planting & Growing

When grown indoors, Sweet Caroline Sweetheart Jet Black Sweet Potato Vine can be expected to grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 1 years. This houseplant will do well in a location that gets either direct or indirect sunlight, although it will usually require a more brightly-lit environment than what artificial indoor lighting alone can provide. It does best in average to evenly moist soil, but will not tolerate standing water. The surface of the soil shouldn't be allowed to dry out completely, and so you should expect to water this plant once and possibly even twice each week. Be aware that your particular watering schedule may vary depending on its location in the room, the pot size, plant size and other conditions; if in doubt, ask one of our experts in the store for advice. It is not particular as to soil type or pH; an average potting soil should work just fine.



Sweet Caroline Sweetheart Jet Black Sweet Potato Vine in bloom
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There are many factors that will affect the ultimate height, spread and overall performance of a plant when grown indoors; among them, the size of the pot it's growing in, the amount of light it receives, watering frequency, the pruning regimen and repotting schedule. Use the information described here as a guideline only; individual performance can and will vary. Please contact the store to speak with one of our experts if you are interested in further details concerning recommendations on pot size, watering, pruning, repotting, etc.