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Little Prince Egyptian Papyrus

Cyperus papyrus 'Little Prince'



Little Prince Egyptian Papyrus flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Dwarf Egyptian Papyrus

Description:

This variety is a semi-aquatic, grass-like plant producing towering green stems with large umbels; perfect for pond side planting or in moist gardens; doesn't mind being submerged a few inches

Ornamental Features

Little Prince Egyptian Papyrus' attractive grassy leaves remain green in colour throughout the season on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth.

Landscape Attributes

Little Prince Egyptian Papyrus is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Little Prince Egyptian Papyrus is ideally suited for growing in a pond, water garden or patio water container, and is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Water Gardens
- Container Planting
- Bog Gardens

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Planting & Growing

Little Prince Egyptian Papyrus will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It tends to be leggy, with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the water, and should be underplanted with lower-growing perennials. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. As an aquatic plant, it requires a suitable water garden environment and will benefit from special planting and ongoing care practices; consult one of our in-store experts for further details and instructions. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Little Prince Egyptian Papyrus is a fine choice for the water garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a canvas of foliage against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when grown in outdoor pots and containers, aquatic plants like this one will require a special growing environment that meets their requirement for consistent moisture.