

LELY MSTU GROUND COVER LIST- 10/24/13

Juniperous chinensis 'Parsoni'



Dianella tasmanica - Variegated Blueberry Flax Lily



Tradescantia spathacea – ‘Dwarf Oyster Plant’



Ilex vomitoria - Stokes Dwarf



Setcreasea pallida – ‘Purple Queen’



Euphorbia milii – Small Leaf Red Crown of Thorn



Neoregelia spp. – Full Sun Bromeliads



'Margaret'



'Fireball'



'Donger'



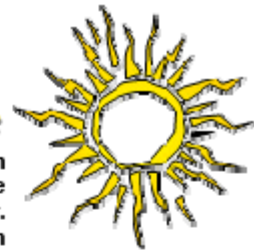
'McWilliamsii'



'Sunshine'

Tropiflora's Recommendations

For Full Sun Bromeliads



Bromeliads are becoming more popular for landscape in Florida and warm coastal areas in the South and West. Because of their vivid colors, bromeliads are frequently used as accent plants in situations of direct sun all or part of a day. Since most bromeliads prefer at least some relief from midday sun, there is an increasing demand for those species and hybrids that will tolerate the harsh conditions of full exposure in the sunny south. Here is a list of bromeliad varieties that have been proven in south Florida gardens. Though no where near complete, it represents varieties that have proven hardy in our nursery and nearby gardens in South Florida. Locally variable conditions may produce different results. Please note that bromeliads which have been grown in less than full sun will require adapting to full sun to avoid burning. A 'rule of thumb' would indicate that bromeliads can tolerate an increase of 20% in exposure, monthly. So a plant grown in 50% shade would require a gradual move over nearly three months to transition to full sun. By far the best time to adapt plants to intense light is in the fall and winter. As day length increases gradually day by day, the plants will adapt. Keep in mind though that any degree of temporary shade during the day will give welcome relief. Also, it is natural in even the hardiest varieties to have some bleaching or possible burning if the conditions are too severe. Future generations may adapt, if not, you should choose another variety.

Having chosen the 'right' plants for the job, local weather conditions, heat, cold, humidity, cloud cover and unforeseen weather phenomena can effect the performance of any plant in landscape. When it comes to gardening, our experience has shown that sometimes careful planning, experimentation and vigilance are no substitute for dumb luck!

BROMELIADS PROVEN FULL SUN TOLERANT IN SOUTH FLORIDA LANDSCAPES

Large Varieties:

Aechmea alopecurus
Aechmea aquilega
Aechmea blanchettiana
Aechmea bracteata
Aechmea bromeliifolia v. *rubra*
Aechmea castelnavii
Aechmea eurycorymbus
Aechmea 'Little Harv'
Aechmea mariae-reginae
Aechmea mexicana
Aechmea mulfordii
Aechmea pinelliana 'Giant Form'
Aechmea rubens
Aechmea rubrolilacina
Aechmea serrata
Aechmea Tropica
Alcantarea imperialis
Alcantarea vinicolor
Androlaechmea 'O' Rourke'
Androlepis skinneri
Aechmea eurycorymbus
Hohenbergia stellata

Neoregelia 'Calypso'

Neoregelia carcharodon
Portea alatisepala
Portea leptantha
Portea petropolitana v. *extensa*
Wittrockia superba
Medium Varieties:
Aechmea chantinii
Aechmea lingulata
Aechmea ornata
Aechmea pectinata
Aechmea phanerophlebia
Aechmea tocantina
Ananus bracteatus
Ananus comosus
Neoregelia cruenta
Neoregelia johannis
Neoregelia compacta
Neoregelia macwilliamsii
Neoregelia 'Yellow Devil'
Quesnelia testudo
Quesnelia arvensis
Vriesea neoglutinosa

Small Varieties:

Aechmea gamosepala
*Aechmea recurvata*_all varieties
Neoregelia olens
Neoregelia 'Donger'
Neoregelia 'Fireball'
Neoregelia 'Zoe'

Tillandsias for full sun:

concolor, *ionantha*, *paleacea*, *stricta*, *vernica*, *didisticha*, *chiapensis*, *fasciculata*, *streptophylla* and *xerographica* are a few that will adapt to full sun conditions. There are many more.

Nearly all members of the following genera will tolerate full sun conditions:

Bromelia
Deuterocohnia
Dyckia
Encholterium
Hechtia
Neogalaziovia
Orthophytum



See these other Tropiflora care sheets for further information on bromeliad culture: 'General Bromeliad Care', 'Terrestrial Bromeliad Care', 'Tillandsia Care', 'Bromeliads In The Terrarium', 'Creating A Bromeliad Tree', 'Mounting Bromeliads', & 'Forcing The Issue' (forcing blooming)
Informative websites to visit for comprehensive information on bromeliads and their culture: Bromeliad Society International (bsi.org) and Florida Council Of Bromeliad Societies (fcb.org)

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