

Van Zyverden's

PREMIUM SERIES POND MARGINAL LOUISIANA IRIS BLACK GAMECOCK Kit



We want you to be successful in growing your pond plants and use top quality components to enhance the experience. Pond plant marginals (sometimes called bog plants) are essential in creating a healthy ecosystem in your pond. While they rely on pond water for nutrients, they improve water quality by extracting excess detrimental nutrients from the pond environment before they can accumulate, and they also provide oxygen. These colorful, exotic, lush plants, grow in the shallow water or saturated soil around the rim or margins of a pond where the water meets the hand. Though the roots grow underwater, the majority of the plant grows and lives out and above the water. Our water plant kits come with everything needed to grow your plant: basket, fabric basket liner, plant, medium, gravel and fertilizer. Bog plants and marginals along the edge of the water garden, stream bed, or waterfall will give your pond a more natural look. What is a pond without pond plants?

*Louisiana Iris Black Gamecock
is the most famous of all
Louisiana Irises*

*Mix and match aquatic plants
for a beautiful balanced look*

*Includes a special aquatic fine mesh
lattice basket, which allows water, air,
nutrients and other gas movement*

About This Variety: Louisiana Iris black Gamecock, a tropical bog plant, is probably the most famous of all the Louisiana Irises, and is a native North American wildflower. Although available in various colors, this one has stunning, blackish blooms that reach 6 inches across. They thrive in a well watered garden or naturally wet area.

Growing Instructions: Spring to summer is a good time to plant, as the water is warming up the plants should establish well. Pond plants generally prefer water temperatures above 60°F to initiate growth. Our kit comes with everything needed; basket, fabric basket liner, soil, stones, plant food and the plant. To grow follow the following steps: 1. Unpack the box of all components. 2. Remove the fabric bag with soil and bag with stones from the plastic bag. 3. Neatly place the black fabric bag with soil into the basket. 4. With scissors shorten the black fabric bag about 1.5" above the rim of the basket. 5. Add the plant food tabs by pushing them into the clay. Remove the roots from its package, with the sphagnum moss and all, and plant it in the center of the basket. Leave the tips slightly exposed. 6. Fold the fabric bag back over onto the top of the soil. This should leave an opening in the middle for the plant to grow. If not, cut the bag back some more. 7. Place the stones on top of the basket to weigh it down. 8. Before placing the basket into the pond, water it heavily several times to settle and solidify the soil. It's best to do this several times. 9. Submerge the entire basket into the pond, about a foot at a time, until you have it at the location of your choice.

Care Tip: To make your pond look natural and balanced, it is usually best to choose a variety of plants, instead of three of the same variety for example.

Exposure: Full sun

Height: Grows 30-36" tall

Spacing: Plant- 24-36" apart, 1" deep

Hardy in: USDA zones 5-11

Guaranteed to grow 1 year from purchase if directions are followed. Any concerns related to quality and/or counts feel free to contact us.

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