



Phormium Tenax Care Details

- Phormiums once established are almost indestructible & tolerate full sun or partial shade in most soil types.
- If bought as young plants ex 9cm pots then you may wish to grow them on before planting out.
- Phormium tenax (variegata included) are fully hardy and grow into large plants with strap like leaves, which remain unaffected by any type of weather.
- When the lower leaves get older they can turn yellow/brown and look unsightly. Pruning older leaves will keep the Phormium looking nice. If the plant gets too large, again simple pruning will not harm the plant. You can even cut a leaf in half and new growth will grow from the cut tip.
- If planting in the ground it is best to do so between April & September.
- Using a slow or controlled release fertilizer when planting will ensure that your plant is correctly fed and will grow at an optimum rate remembering to re-pot as necessary. John Innes or general multi- purpose compost will usually have sufficient food for the first 4-6 weeks, if no food is added.
- Phormium tenax are low maintenance plants, which thrive without any real attention or care, although if grown indoors they can suffer from Mealy Bug!
- Please have a look at www.easytropicals.com for companion ideas & a general hardiness guide. If you have any questions please email for a prompt reply.

Many thanks for looking.