



Momo Botan Lotus *Nelumbo 'Momo Botan'*

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Other Names: Sacred Lotus

Description:

A stunning dwarf cultivar, perfect for small or medium sized ponds; large, cupped, double rose-pink flowers that are highly fragrant, appear in summer; attractive large round leaves ascend from the water; prefers full sun; quite easy to care for

Ornamental Features

Momo Botan Lotus features showy spikes of fragrant double pink cup-shaped flowers with white overtones and gold eyes held atop the stems from early to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive large round leaves remain bluish-green in color with hints of chartreuse throughout the year.

Landscape Attributes

Momo Botan Lotus is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other garden plants with finer foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Momo Botan Lotus is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Water Gardens
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting



Momo Botan Lotus flowers
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Planting & Growing

Momo Botan Lotus will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an evergreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It is an excellent choice for very wet locations or locations with some standing water. 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 particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by multiplication of the underground bulbs; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Momo Botan Lotus is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.