

German Iris – Tall Bearded Iris – *Iris germanica*

Batik	\$9.99 / 26" tall / Early-Season / Violet-purple blooms striped with white. Vigorous short plants with full sized blooms. Knowlton Medal, Honorable Mention, and award of Merit recipient.
Breakers	\$9.99 / 37" tall / Mid-Season / Solid blue blooms, all parts, with many flowers produces per stem. Award of Merit, Honorable Mention. Zone 5 fall <u>rebloomer</u> .
Edith Wolford	\$9.99 / 35" tall / Mid-Season / Bicolor, heavily ruffled blooms of good size, cream standards with lavender-blue falls. Dykes award winner.
Immortality	\$9.99 / 32" tall / Mid-Season / Vigorous plants with fragrant pure white ruffled blooms, yellow beards. The most likely fall <u>rebloom</u> .
Mariposa Autumn	\$9.99 / 32" tall / Early-Season / Half white, petals outlined in purple. Reliable fall <u>rebloom</u> in zone 6. Honorable Mention, and award of Merit recipient.
Oui Madame	\$9.99 / 38" tall / Early-Mid Season / Flowers open a deep lavender, then fade to lilac, lending a multi-colored effect. 8-10 flowers per stalk.
Raptor Red	\$9.99 / 34" tall / Early-Mid Season / Two-tone, satiny wine-purple blooms with mustard-yellow beards. Well-branched scapes.
Savannah Sunset	\$9.99 / 38" tall / Early Season / Solid cadmium orange with scarlet beards, Honorable Mention recipient.
Sharp Dressed Man	\$9.99 / 36" tall / Mid-Season / Heavily ruffled blooms of medium purple standards, near-black falls and orange beards. Honorable Mention, Award of Merit, John C. Wister Medal recipient.
That's All Folks	\$9.99 / 40" tall / Mid-Season / Bubble ruffled canary yellow blooms of huge proportions, some white visible on the falls. Multiple award winner.
Variegata (pallida)	\$9.99 / 34" tall / Early Season / Dependable lavender-blue flowers with a sweet fragrance. Creamy-yellow stripes run the length of the leaf blade providing prolonged interest

Bearded Iris Culture: German Iris needs a location with at least 6 hours of direct sun for best bloom. They are tolerant of most soil types as long as it is well drained and not too compacted. When planting, loosen the soil 8-12" deep and add generous amounts of bone meal or any form of phosphorous. Make sure 25-50% of the rhizome is above the soil level. In early spring, one application of slow release fertilizer is all that is needed to keep them going all season. German iris tolerate drought, although it is recommended they get supplemental water when needed to keep the foliage looking it's best. Varieties labeled re-bloomer may send out sparse fall flowers if they are well cared for. When they get crowded every 3-5 years they should be lifted in August and thinned out for best blooming performance. Please note the bloom seasons are noted after the heights, this is to aid in producing an iris plot with extended seasonal interest.

Japanese Iris (*Iris ensata*) - Louisiana Iris (*Iris x*) - Siberian Iris (*Iris siberica*) +other iris

Black Gamecock	\$13.99 / Louisiana / 24" tall / Huge 4-6" flowers open flat to display velvety near black blooms with narrow gold signals. Blooms Early-mid summer. Pots sold in the aquatic section.
Blue Flag	\$13.99 / versicolor / 30" tall / Erect sword-shaped leaves give rise to violet-blue blooms with purple veining in late spring. Good for water or rain gardens. A deer-resistant Indiana native.
Caesar's Brother	\$9.99 / Siberian / 36-42" tall / Numerous rich purple blooms with a white blaze and black veining.
Concord Crush	\$9.99 / Siberian / 28" tall / A tetraploid with vibrant 6" double blooms of blue standards and deeper navy-blue falls. Often reblooms in the fall.
Dinner Plate Eileen's Dream	New \$11.99 / Japanese / 32" tall / Large grape purple double blooms with bright gold signals.
Dwarf Crested Iris	\$5.99 / <i>cristata</i> / 6" tall / Low spreading mounds are covered in small irises in various shades of blue or white. One clump can spread a few feet, best in shade or morning sun.

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Varieties, description and culture.....



- Gold Bound** **New** **\$11.99** / *Japanese* / 36" tall / String upright foliage with large flat single blooms of pure white with lemon yellow signals.
- How Audacious** **\$9.99** / *Siberian* / 30" tall / Stunning violet blooms of violet-grape with a yellow and white splotch in the center of each fall. Narrow green foliage.
- Kaboom** **\$9.99** / *Siberian* / 34" tall / Double navy-blue blooms to 6" across, falls with gold and white sunburst blaze. Honorable Mention, Award of Merit recipient.
- Peacock Butterfly Miss Apple** **\$9.99** / *Siberian* / 30" tall / Fragrant blooms of cranberry, mauve, violet, gold, and red.
- Pink Parfait** **\$9.99** / *Siberian* / 28" tall / 6- 7" double blooms of lavender-pink resemble a rose more than an Iris. The edges of each petal are lighter than the center.

Culture: Japanese, Louisiana, and Siberian Irises all are at their best in moist, rich acidic soil abundant in humus. These tend to be much less maintenance than German iris although they do love their water. Louisiana irises can grow in water year-round; The Japanese Irises tolerate shallow water in summer only while Siberian Iris can take considerable dryness upon establishment, although blooming may suffer. The Siberian Irises are also valued for their nice vertical foliage when not in bloom.