

Iris 'Caesar's Brother' Caesar's Brother Siberian Iris

Iris sibirica 'Caesar's Brother' (Caesar's Brother Siberian Iris) is an easy-to-grow herbaceous perennial notable for attractive clumps of grassy foliage and a late spring display of ephemeral, butterfly-like flowers. The deep blue-purple flowers feature a 'gold throat' and appear for only a short time in May. The arching, narrow, grass-like blue-green leaves provide persistent appeal and are particularly beautiful following a rain shower. Foliage forms an attractive vase-shaped form up to 2 feet tall that should be divided every 3 to 4 years. In fall, dark, slender seed pods appear, extending the seasonal interest. Tolerates a wide range of soils, including boggy ones. Siberian Iris varieties prefer consistent moisture and do not do well with dry conditions. With too much shade, plants produce fewer flowers and foliage tends to flop. Appealing texture and form is best appreciated as a mass planting. Attracts butterflies and is a desirable cut flower.

Botanical Name: Iris sibirica 'Caesar's Brother'

Common Name: Caesar's Brother Siberian Iris

Family: Iridaceae

Nativity: Not Native to US

USDA Zone: 3 to 9

Light Type: Full sun, Part Shade

Soil Type: Clay, Loam, Sand

Soil Preferences: Well-drained; slightly acidic loam

Soil Moisture: Moist, Wet

Typical height (ft): 2.5-4'

Typical width (ft): 2.5-3'

Foliage: Blue green

Bloom Time: May

Bloom: Deep purple-blue

Ecological features: Floral resources for some bees, butterflies, and hummingbirds

Tolerance of: Deer, Rabbit, Drought, Erosion, Clay Soil, Wet Soil

Additional notes: Becomes floppy and less floriferous in too much shade; sword-like foliage; black walnut tolerant

Companion plants: Coneflower (Echinacea spp.), Turtlehead (Chelone spp.), Geum, Spiderwort (Tradescantia spp.), Geranium, Yarrow (Achillea spp.), Black-eyed Susan (Rudbeckia spp.), Sage (Salvia spp.), Hyssop (Agastache spp.), Sedum

For more information see:

<https://www.midwestgroundcovers.com/plant/Iris-sibirica-Caesars-Brother>

<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/PlantFinderDetails.aspx?kempercode=d560>

<https://www.americanmeadows.com/perennials/iris/siberian-iris-caesars-brother>

<https://www.gardeningknowhow.com/ornamental/bulbs/iris/growing-siberian-iris.htm>

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Flower



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Plant form



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Seed heads



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Combination with other perennials

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