

Iris sibirica 'Perry's Blue' Perry's Blue Siberian Iris

Iris sibirica 'Perry's Blue' (Siberian Iris) brings delicate late spring blooms and clean, vertical foliage to the garden. The upright, grassy, sword-like leaves reach from the ground in nearly spring. In May and June, delicate sky blue flowers bloom atop vertical, bare stems growing 2-3' tall. After blooming, the foliage remains attractive and neat, reminiscent of some ornamental grasses. As petals fade, the large seed pods begin to swell, which turn brown and burst open in fall, appearing almost flower-like. These ornamental "flowers" may persist until a heavy snow. Siberian Iris varieties prefer consistent moisture and do not do well with dry conditions, although they can tolerate short periods of drought. Plant in well-drained soils in full to part sun. Tolerates wet, clay soils and is resistant to deer and rabbits.

Botanical Name: Iris sibirica 'Perry's Blue'

Common Name: Perry's Blue Siberian Iris

Family: Iridaceae

Nativity: Not Native to US

USDA Zone: 3 to 8

Light Type: Full Sun to Part Shade

Soil Type: Sand, Loam, Clay

Soil Preferences: Well-drained, slightly acidic loam

Soil Moisture: Moist to Wet

Typical height (ft): 2-3'

Typical width (ft): 2-3'

Foliage: Blue Green

Bloom Time: May, June

Bloom: Pale blue with yellow and white accents

Ecological features: Floral resources attract butterflies

Tolerance of: Drought, Deer, Salt

Additional notes: Sword-like foliage; plants needs moisture during the growing season (in spring and early summer) for the best blooms

Companion plants: Daylily (Hemerocallis spp.), Sedge (Carex spp.), Poppy (Papaver spp.), Columbine (Aquilegia spp.), Geranium, Moor Grass (Molina spp.), Sage (Salvia spp.)

For more information see:

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

<https://www.gardenia.net/plant/iris-sibirica-perry-s-blue-siberian-iris>

[https://www.rhs.org.uk/Plants/141647/Iris-Perry-s-Blue-\(Sib\)/Details](https://www.rhs.org.uk/Plants/141647/Iris-Perry-s-Blue-(Sib)/Details)

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flower close-up



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Plant form



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Combine with other perennials by the water



Iris Perry's Blue_4.jpg

winter interest

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