

Ramm Botanicals plant information

Dianella series



Dianella revoluta 'Kentlyn'



Dianella longifolia 'Forté'



Dianella tasmanica 'Australiana'



Dianella prunina 'Somersby'

Dianella is a large family of Australian native grasses encompassing around 15 species. They are typically chosen for commercial landscape usage as a waterwise, easy-care plant. They're also quick growing and hardy.

Although Dianella flower in spring, the flowers are not particularly showy. After flowering, most species produce purple berries.

You would use Dianella where you want to cover large areas quickly. Multi-planting Dianella is an effective way of binding soil and preventing erosion. Along with some mulching, you will have a weed-suppressed area of your garden that is very low maintenance.

They grow no more than around one metre tall and can spread a little further than this. In order to allow the plant to display its arching stems, it's best to multi-plant at 2 metre intervals. Planting them, say, one metre apart means they're supported by their neighbouring plants and will, hence, be more upright. This would provide quite a thick cover.

Dianella is very tolerant of heavy soils, coastal conditions, remain a vigorous grower in such conditions and can be planted virtually year round.

Planting

Able to handle many soil types, but, like most native plants, will do best in free-draining soil. Position them in a full sun location, however they will perform quite well in part shade.

Watering

A drought tolerant plant that rarely needs supplementary watering above that of natural rainfall. The reason is that they have narrow, water-saving leaves and derive their water and nutrients from underground rhizomes.

Fertiliser

Dianella aren't fussy feeders; just give them a small amount of a general purpose or native plant controlled release fertiliser once a year.

Pruning

It's best to remove spent flower stems by cutting them off at the base of the stem. You can cut the entire plant back to ground level if the leaves look unsightly and then see fresh growth emerge from the underground rhizomes. Autumn is a good time to do this.

Pests and Diseases

Dianella has no major pest or disease issues. A classic, easy-care plant!

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