

Iris Reticulata

(Iris reticulata)

Soil: Alkaline

Light: Full sun to light shade

Planting Depth: 4 inches

Planting Distance: 3 inches

Standing only four to six inches tall, the reticulata is best used at the front of a mixed border or in a rock garden. Variety Joyce has large flowers for its class. The pale blue falls are blotched with orange and blue uprights. Another variety is deep purple with an orange blotch. A pale blue variety has white markings on the dark blue falls.

Comments

The *Iris reticulata* is a member of the vast iris tribe. This is a bulbous iris; other members of the group grow from rhizomes or tubers. It's reasonably perennial in Zone 4 with a mulch for winter protection.