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## **Rocket City Daylily** Hemerocallis 'Rocket City'

Plant Height: 24 inches Flower Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Spacing: 28 inches Sunlight: O Hardiness Zone: 2

### **Description:**

Forms large clumps of grasslike foliage. Orange, 6" crimped petal flowers with burnt orange eyes having lighter yellow-orange throats and midribs. Very hardy and easy to grow. Attracts butterflies and hummingbirds. Tetraploid.

#### **Ornamental Features**

Rocket City Daylily features bold orange trumpet-shaped flowers with coppery-bronze throats at the ends of the stems from early to mid summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its grassy leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Rocket City Daylily is an herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.



Rocket City Daylily flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Rocket City Daylily is recommended for the following landscape applications;



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- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover

#### **Planting & Growing**

Rocket City Daylily will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity extending to 3 feet tall with the flowers, with a spread of 3 feet. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 28 inches apart. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in both summer and winter to conserve soil moisture and protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.