

PLANTS TO READ ABOUT

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A collection for observation and reference. Detailed explanations to help you make care decisions suited to your plant and its position.

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PLANT PORTRAIT

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Botanical name	Allium “Miami”
Delivery size	15 bulbs for planting · not flowering potted plants
Family	Amaryllidaceae
Life span	Perennial; with above–ground dormancy
Flower colour	Reddish purple
Flowering time	Late spring to early summer; timing dependent on weather and position
Expected height	Up to about 1 m at flowering; not delivery height
Planting time	Autumn in unfrozen ground; plant delivered bulbs promptly
Spacing	At least about 20 cm as a guide for tall ornamental onions
Planting depth	According to packaging and actual bulb size; not calculated from commercial grade
Position	Sunny and sheltered; fertile soil with good drainage

Care at a glance

Observe, check and adapt care to the position and season. This table provides guidance for everyday practice.

Topic	What to do	Why it helps
Light	Place sunny and sheltered.	Tall stems benefit from less strong wind.
Soil	Choose fertile, permeable ground.	Winter saturation is a problem.
Planting	Plant in autumn in unfrozen ground.	A marker protects the resting group during garden work.
Spacing	At least about 20 cm as a guide.	Neighbouring perennials also need development space.
Depth	Account for packaging and actual bulb.	Do not convert commercial grades into diameter.
Water	Water during shoots according to soil moisture.	A container needs more attention than a border.
Nutrients	Check need and existing reserves.	Continuous feeding is no substitute for a good place.
After flowering	Allow natural dieback.	The underground plant remains perennial.

Knowledge that grows

Purple with a lighter flower form

Miami carries reddish-purple flowers in a relatively open, dome-shaped umbel. It looks lighter than a densely closed globe. On tall green stems it creates a clear line above the border. The plant may reach about a metre at flowering and provides a different accent from low star-globe onions. Look at the umbel from the side: branching remains visible between its small flowers. A quiet green background brings out the colour especially well without making the entire border intensely colourful.

A group for the view from a seat

The offer contains fifteen bulbs. A later flower group can lead the eye from a terrace into the border; it is not delivered already flowering. Try distributing bulbs in several loose groups and view them from the usual distance. Tall ornamental onions need at least roughly twenty centimetres between bulbs as a starting guide. Also leave development room for neighbouring perennials. Quantity does not promise a particular number of simultaneous flower heads. Bulb development, planting and subsequent conditions at the chosen site matter.

Sun alone does not settle the position question

Miami suits a sunny sheltered place with fertile, well-drained soil. Wind shelter may help tall stems. Also check what happens beneath the surface after prolonged rain. A border regularly waterlogged in winter is unfavourable despite good summer lighting. The specialist source suggests a suitable container as an alternative for heavy saturation-prone soil. It needs sufficient depth, a stable base and free drainage. A small gravel-filled hole in dense clay does not replace a permeable environment.

Plant in autumn and find the site again

Plant in autumn while ground is workable. Set the tip upwards and base depth on the actual bulb and package instructions. The grading class in the shop name is not a self-measured diameter and should not be converted into an enormous planting depth. With dry earth a little water helps soil settle. A discreet marker keeps the resting group findable. Plan later neighbours at the same time: Miami should stand above them while lower leaves accompany gradually declining basal foliage.

Follow spring attentively and moderately

Moisture checking during shoots is especially worthwhile in containers and unusually dry weather. Water as needed and let water drain. Good supply does not mean constantly wet soil. Add nutrients accounting for substrate and existing reserves; ornamental onions need no fixed weekly feeding schedule. Observe stems and leaves together. The tall flower head and declining basal foliage may belong to natural development. A single yellow leaf is therefore insufficient reason to immediately add more water or fertiliser.

After flowering the garden scene keeps changing

You may remove spent stems or initially leave their structure. Prepare neighbouring planting for Miami's above-ground dieback. Green leaf remains stay until they naturally die, then can be tidied as needed. Bulbs remain in the soil as perennial storage organs. Record actual flowering timing and purple shade under different light in the plant book. This shows which neighbours fit temporally and avoids a design working on only one flowering day.

Improve the group rather than continually starting anew

When a group looks weaker the next year, consider light, winter moisture and competition together. If needed, daughter bulbs can be carefully detached after flowering and cultivated at a prepared position. Work gently and keep the original group traceable. Containers stand sheltered from persistent winter rain; plants there face cold and moisture fluctuations more strongly than in borders. Bulbs are not intended for eating. A photograph from the same perspective shows whether the open umbel still works well at the intended viewpoint.

Pictures and details

Images and descriptions from this portrait. Decorative items are not included in the offer.



AI-created detail of later flowering; not delivery condition.



Original shop picture of later flowering. Offer: 15 bulbs for planting, not ready-planted containers.



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Good to know

What flower colour does Miami have?

Reddish purple.

Is Miami a densely closed globe?

RHS describes an open dome-shaped umbel.

How tall does the plant grow?

Up to about a metre at flowering.

What is delivered?

Fifteen bulbs for planting.

Is heavy wet soil suitable?

Persistently waterlogged soil is unfavourable; a suitable container may be an alternative.

Must ornamental onion be fed constantly?

No. Supply follows position, substrate and recognisable need.

The matching offer

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