

# PACIFIC COAST IRIS HYBRID

## IRIS 'NEARLY BLACK'

THESE BEAUTIES OF THE CALIFORNIA (AND BEYOND) COAST ARE INDEED A TREASURE IN THE GARDEN. IN SPRING, THE EVERGREEN GRASSY CLUMPS SEND UP MULTIPLE STALKS BEARING LOVELY FLOWER BUDS. WHAT COLOR THE BUDS OPEN VARIES WILDLY IN HYBRIDIZED FORMS, BUT THIS ONE IS A DARK PURPLE SO DARK IT'S NEARLY BLACK. DON'T EVER LET IT BE SAID THAT NATIVES LACK PRESENCE! BEST IS PARTIAL SHADE IN OUR HOT FOOTHILLS, AND TRY TO GIVE THESE SLIGHTLY ACID SOIL AND GOOD DRAINAGE. TOTALLY DEER RESISTANT, YOU CAN TUCK THEM ALL OVER YOUR GARDEN, EVEN UNDER NATIVE OAKS, WHERE THEIR MINIMAL WATER NEEDS COME IN QUITE HANDY. TRULY GORGEOUS CALIFORNIA WILDFLOWERS!



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PART SHADE