

Wallisia cyanea

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Common Names: Pink Quill, Blue Flowered Torch

Family: Bromeliaceae

Origin: Ecuador

Growth: Epiphytic, clumping

Light: Bright, indirect

Foot Candles: 75 - 200

Water: Mist with rainwater or filtered tap water 2-5 times per week

Humidity: 50% - 90%

Temperature: 16°C - 28°C

Soil: orchid mix

Container: Planter with drainage or mounted as an epiphyte

Nutrients: 10-10-2 Foliar spray monthly

Propagation: Seed or removal of offsets

Interiorscape Use: Living walls, employee personal plant

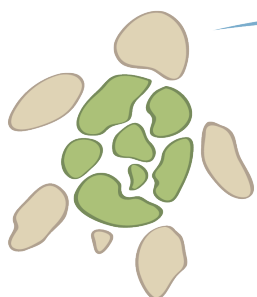


Common Pests: Mealybugs, Aphids, Spider Mites, Scale, Thrips.

Common Issues: Soft water contains too much salt and some tap water contains chlorine and fluoride that can leave water spots on foliage. Dry air will cause brown tips on the leaves. Increase humidity to prevent. Mother plant will flower only once.

Comments: One of the most unique and fun to watch air plants. A mature plant will form a clump that will get covered in the pink quill flowers but the store bought plants will typically only flower once in household conditions. Originally was placed in the Tillandsia genus but has since moved out due to difference in plant DNA.

Toxicity: Safe.



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