

Use *Iris Douglasiana* as guide though 'Pacific Coast Hybrids' may vary slightly

# *Iris douglasiana* Douglas or Coast Iris

HERBACEOUS PERENNIAL

1 - 2' high, 2' spread. Clumping.

Spreading by rhizome.

Long narrow leaves.

Flowers blue, cream, lavender

- February to May.

Native habitat: coastal prairie, mixed evergreen forest, generally below 500' - Santa Barbara County to Oregon.

Sun in cooler areas, part shade to full shade elsewhere.

Frost tolerant.

Can tolerate heavy soil. Loose, rich soil encourages growth and spreading of rhizomes.

Needs some year-round water - (1 - 2 x /month) once established.

Good border or accent plant.

Lovely in clumps, mats, among or under trees and shrubs.



Photographs by Margaret L. Fillius

