







## New Zealand Flax

*Phormium tenax* and hybrids    



Flax are large strap-leaved evergreen perennials. Grown for foliage and structural value with large, sword-shaped leaves in varying lengths of bronze, red, variegated green, and yellow. Color intensifies with full sun and cooler weather. Occasionally produce large reddish or yellow spiky blooms in late spring or summer.

**Suggested varieties:** 'Jack Spratt' (smaller; reddish dark green); 'Maori Chief' (large; green with crimson and cream edges); 'Variegatum' (large; gray green with yellow and cream stripes)

**Other:** Hybrids require more water inland. Deer resistant.

### More Info

<http://www.smgrowers.com/info/flax.asp>