

Ginger Lily

Hedychium x Kewense

'Kewense' ginger lily, is a plant that grows well in Florida, thriving in full sun to partial shade in moist, well-drained, and rich soil. For propagation, divide the rhizomes in spring or before late summer, ensuring each section has a bud. In North Florida, the University of Florida IFAS Extension notes these plants add a tropical look and fragrance to gardens and are easy to grow, but they may need pruning to control growth and should be protected from heavy freezes.

Type: herbaceous perennial

USDA hardiness zones: 7 through 11

Uses: beds, borders, containers

Origin: not native to Florida

Height: 4 to 5 feet **Spread:** 2 to 3 feet

Plant spacing: 2 to 3 feet

Light requirement: sun to partial shade

Soil tolerances: well-drained soil, moist

Drought tolerance: poor, water frequently

Soil salt tolerances: moderate

Invasive potential: aggressive spreading through underground rhizomes

Pest resistance: generally pest-resistant

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