

## We're Moving!

Southwick Landscape Architects is moving. We will be closed on Friday, January 25th and will reopen on Monday, January 28th at our new address:

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"The artist is nothing without the gift, but the gift is nothing without work."  
— Emile Zola

### FAVORITE FLORA: LIRIOPE MUSCARI - LILY TURF



This month's favorite flora, Lily Turf (*Liriope muscari*) comes from Japan, Korea and China. It is a small, green perennial that grows in grassy clumps to about 12 to 18 inches in height. Growing naturally in the understory of forests, this plant prefers partial shade areas out of the reach of the intense Las Vegas sun. Don't be intimidated by this plant's natural range, it can tolerate heat, drought and cold. Maintenance for the Lily Turf is very limited. Most years this plant will stay evergreen with only a portion of the shoots turning brown. These shoots can be trimmed off to keep a neat green appearance. New shoots will appear in the spring. Lily Turf blooms a showy display of purple flowered

spikes in late summer. The arrangement and color of flowers resemble those of Grape Hyacinth (*Muscari sp.*), which is where the Lily Turf's name originates.

In the landscape, this plant will be a great addition along walkways and driveways. Its soft green appearance and flower displays can be utilized in mass plantings leading to entryways and around courtyards. Place Lily Turf under large trees such as Oaks (*Quercus sp.*) and Ash's (*Fraxinus sp.*) to create a natural forest understory effect recreating its natural setting. Pair *Liriope muscari* with other evergreen plants such as Star Jasmine (*Trachelospermum jasminoides*), Rosemary (*Rosmarinus officinalis*) and Periwinkle (*Vinca minor*).

### Photo of the Month



Red Rock Waterfalls  
Red Rock Canyon NCA, NV  
Cassi Dawes