**Spathiphyllum x ‘Wallisii’**

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**Introduction**

Dwarf Peace-Lily is a 12- to 15-inch-tall plant that is upright in form (Fig. 1). The shiny, dark green leaves of the Dwarf Peace-Lily give this plant its charm. These 10-inch-long, arching leaves have puckered veins that impart a rippled or puckered effect. Small, chalk white flowers are packed on a spadix borne in front of an attractive white spathe. These flowers occur in the spring and are followed by mostly inconspicuous, berry-like fruits.

**General Information**

- **Scientific name:** *Spathiphyllum x ‘Wallisii’*
- **Pronunciation:** spath-iff-FILL-lum
- **Common name(s):** Dwarf Peace-Lily
- **Family:** Araceae
- **Plant type:** herbaceous
- **USDA hardiness zones:** 10B through 11 (Fig. 2)
- **Planting month for zone 10 and 11:** year round
- **Origin:** not native to North America
- **Uses:** mass planting; container or above-ground planter; suitable for growing indoors
- **Availability:** generally available in many areas within its hardiness range

**Description**

- **Height:** 1 to 1.5 feet
- **Spread:** 1 to 1.5 feet
- **Plant habit:** round; upright
- **Plant density:** moderate

**Foliage**

- **Leaf arrangement:** alternate
- **Leaf type:** simple
- **Leaf margin:** undulate

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Leaf shape: ovate
Leaf venation: pinnate
Leaf type and persistence: evergreen
Leaf blade length: 12 to 18 inches
Leaf color: green
Fall color: no fall color change
Fall characteristic: not showy

Flower

Flower color: white
Flower characteristic: flowers periodically throughout the year

Fruit

Fruit shape: round
Fruit length: less than .5 inch
Fruit cover: fleshy
Fruit color: white
Fruit characteristic: showy

Trunk and Branches

Trunk/bark/branches: not applicable
Current year stem/twig color: not applicable

Current year stem/twig thickness: not applicable

Culture

Light requirement: plant grows in the shade
Soil tolerances: sand; acidic; loam
Drought tolerance:
Soil salt tolerances: poor
Plant spacing: 18 to 24 inches

Other

Roots: not applicable
Winter interest: no special winter interest
Outstanding plant: plant has outstanding ornamental features and could be planted more
Invasive potential: not known to be invasive
Pest resistance: long-term health usually not affected by pests
Use and Management

This plant can be used as a ground cover in completely shady areas of the landscape, or more commonly inside malls and other commercial buildings. It makes a nice, low maintenance houseplant. It is also an attractive facer plant for taller shrubs and can be used around indoor pools.

Use this plant in a partially or fully shaded location in the landscape. The Dwarf Peace-Lily prefers rich well-drained soils that are relatively acidic. It has no salt tolerance and favors warm temperatures. Fertilize this plant regularly during the growing season to maintain a dark green foliage color.

Pests and Diseases

Mites, scales, and mealy bugs may be occasional problems.