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Starcluster Cascade Red Star Flower

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Pentas lanceolata 'Starcluster Cascade Red'



Starcluster Cascade Red Star Flower flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 10 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Egyptian Star Flower, Star Cluster, Starflower

Group/Class: Starcluster Series

Description:

Vibrant blooms are big, bold, and a magnet for pollinators; very heat tolerant, with a vigorous, mounded, semi-trailing habit; ideal for hanging baskets or high-end summer container combinations

Ornamental Features

Starcluster Cascade Red Star Flower features showy corymbs of red star-shaped flowers with white anthers at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall. Its textured pointy leaves remain forest green in colour throughout the year.

Landscape Attributes

Starcluster Cascade Red Star Flower is a dense herbaceous annual with a mounded form. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other garden plants with finer foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and can be pruned at anytime. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Starcluster Cascade Red Star Flower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

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Planting & Growing

Starcluster Cascade Red Star Flower will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Starcluster Cascade Red Star Flower is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.