# **Stonegate Gardens**

## Sierra Synchro Scarlet Cyclamen

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## Sierra™ Synchro Scarlet Cyclamen Cyclamen 'Sierra Synchro Scarlet'

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: European Cyclamen, Sow Bread Group/Class: Sierra™ Synchro Series

### **Description:**

Early flowering with a uniform habit, this mounded series is perfect for adding pops of color to containers; large, brightly colored nodding flowers rise above interesting marbled green foliage; heat tolerant, excellent for summer and fall planting



Sierra Synchro Scarlet Cyclamen flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Sierra Synchro Scarlet Cyclamen features showy lightly-scented nodding scarlet recurved flowers rising above the foliage in early spring. Its attractive round leaves remain green in color with showy silver variegation throughout the season.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Sierra Synchro Scarlet Cyclamen is an herbaceous annual with a mounded form. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It is a good choice for attracting birds, bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Sierra Synchro Scarlet Cyclamen is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

### **Planting & Growing**

Sierra Synchro Scarlet Cyclamen will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 14 inches. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. This annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

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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 type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Sierra Synchro Scarlet Cyclamen is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage 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.