# **Plant Finder**





Fantasiatic Red Lily Lilium 'Fantasiatic Red'

Height: 12 inches Spread: 12 inches Spacing: 12 inches Sunlight: **O** 

Hardiness Zone: 3

Group/Class: Fantasiatic Series

### **Description:**

A boldly colored series presenting large, cherry red blooms sitting above medium green foliage; great for adding color and texture to garden beds, borders or fresh cut arrangements; easy to grow and low maintenance

### **Ornamental Features**

Fantasiatic Red Lily features bold nodding cherry red trumpet-shaped flowers at the ends of the stems from early to mid summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its narrow leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

#### Landscape Attributes

Fantasiatic Red Lily is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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 plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects
- Disease

Fantasiatic Red Lily is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



Fantasiatic Red Lily flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



## **Planting & Growing**

Fantasiatic Red Lily will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. It tends to be leggy, with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and should be underplanted with lower-growing perennials. The flower stalks can be weak and so it may require staking in exposed sites or excessively rich soils. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

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. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by multiplication of the underground bulbs; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Fantasiatic Red Lily 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 against which the larger 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.