

Mussaenda (Red) - Plant



Mussaenda, mussaenda bushes are evergreens in the rubiaceae family that bloom from spring to fall in mild-winter areas.

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Description for Mussaenda (Red)

Plant height: 11 - 17 inches (27 - 44 cm)

Plant spread: 4 - 6 inches (10 - 16 cm)

Winter hardy to USDA Zones 10-11 where it is best grown in fertile, organically rich, medium moisture, well-drained soils in full sun. In St. Louis, grow plants in pots/containers that are overwintered indoors in bright sunny rooms as houseplants.

Common name(s): Mussaenda (Red),Mussaenda,Mussaenda, Ashanti Blood, Red Flag Bush, Tropical Dogwood, Mussaenda Red Single,Mussaenda Single Lal, Bedina, Hanu rei, Vellaiyilai, Mithai Phool,Mussaenda incana (Dwarf Mussaenda),Mussaenda 'Queen Sirikit', Mussaenda 'Capricorn Dream'.

Flower colours: it comes in various colors:-Red,white,yellow,pink

Bloom time: Flowers freely

Max reachable height: 2.00 to 6.00 feet

Difficulty to grow: easy to grow

Planting and care

Tecoma capensis, commonly known as cape honeysuckle, is a flowering, versatile evergreen that is suitable as a climbing vine, border plant, shrub or ground cover. It blooms in clusters of tubular, red-orange flowers that are about 2 inches in length in the late summer, fall and winter.

Sunlight: Full sun

Soil: well-drained soil

Water: Medium

Temperature: 20 C to 30C

Fertilizer: Apply any organic fertilizer

Caring for Mussaenda

- Train a climbing vine cape honeysuckle plant on a trellis or other supporting object using plant ties to support the vines.
- To maintain the shape of shrubs, prune long or unruly branches back to a side branch or bud with sharp pruning shears.
- Cut off old, damaged or dead branches at their base and remove them.

Typical uses of Mussaenda

Special features: Popular plants in southern Florida and California where they are often planted as specimens, massed in gardens and shrub

borders or planted as informal hedges or screens.

Ornamental use: The plant is used for ornamental purpose. Its generally kep indoor in living room and in terrac area.

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