

Abuli, Firecracker Flower - Plant



Russelia equisetiformis

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Description

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Firecracker Flower plants are very decorative, compact flowering shrubs that grow 18"-24" tall. They have glossy, dark green leaves and spikes of brightly colored, funnel shaped flowers that continue to bloom for months on end. Firecracker Flowers are easy plants to grow and care for, as long as they have sufficient water and humidity.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
Russelia equisetiformis	Red	Flowers freely	2.00 to 4.00 feet	Easy to grow

Planting and care

During the active growing season from March to October, the soil should be kept evenly moist but never soggy. Feed every 2 weeks with a soluble, house plant fertilizer that has been diluted by 50%.

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Full Sun to Partial Shade	Well-drained soil	Medium	Temperatures of 75Å° with cooler, 60Å°-65Å° nights.	Apply any organic fertilizer

Caring for Abuli

Also grows well in moist soils at the periphery of ponds or water gardens. Site in locations sheltered from strong winds. Cascading stems may root where they touch the ground, either accidentally or by design, and new plants can be potted up when this occurs.

Typical uses of Abuli

Special features: Containers may be set in the ground to cascade over walls or sunk in damp soils at the edge of ponds or water gardens. Stems may also be tied to a trellis up against a wall. Container plants are an excellent addition to a bird garden or rock garden.

Culinary use: Overwinter as a houseplant in a warm sun room (if well sited, it may continue to bloom throughout winter) or force into dormancy by cutting stems back hard and storing in a dark, cool, dry corner of a basement or frost free garage.

Ornamental use: The plant is used for ornamental purpose.

References

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- http://www.thegardenhelper.com/firecracker_flower.html