

Mehndi, Mehandi - Plant



Henna is a flowering plant and the sole species of the Lawsonia genus. Henna or Mehendi is a medicinal plant. Its bark and seeds are used in Traditional, Unani and Ayurvedic medicines.

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Description

Description for Mehndi, Mehandi

Myrtus, with the common name myrtle, is a genus of flowering plants in the family Myrtaceae, described by Linnaeus in 1753.

| Common name | Flower colours | Bloom time | Height | Difficulty |
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| Mehndi, Mehandi, Myrtus communis, common myrtle | White with yellow-tipped stamens | May to July | 4.00 to 6.00 feet | Easy to grow |

Planting and care

If it's too shady, the stems will attempt to lean towards the sun or get spindly and fall over. Most of the popular varieties prefer acidic to neutral soil, but some are lime-tolerant or prefer alkaline soils (e.g., Madonna lilies). Loosen the soil to a depth of 12 to 15 inches.

| Sunlight | Soil | Water | Temperature | Fertilizer |
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| Full sun to part shade | well-drained soil | Medium | 12-15F | Apply any organic fertilizer |

Caring for Mehndi

- The mulch should feel moist but not wet.
- Apply a high-potassium liquid fertilizer every 2 weeks from early spring until 6 weeks after flowering.
- Keep moist in winter.
- Apply a thin layer of compost each spring, followed by a 2-inch layer of mulch. Stake tall lilies.

Typical uses of Mehndi

Special features: Specimen. Foundation plantings. Hedge or screen. Patio planters. Containers. Houseplant.

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

Medicinal use: Henna oil is used during medicinal treatment of wide range of ailment ranging from headache to leprosy and other skin disorders.

References

<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/> <http://www.flowersofindia.net/>