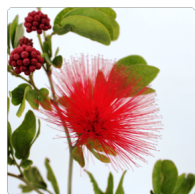


Powder Puff Plant, Calliandra - Plant



These hardy small trees branch out wide with very attractive leaves.

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Description

Description for Powder Puff Plant, Calliandra

Calliandra is a large genus of tropical plants that consists of about 200 species of small trees and evergreen, flowering shrubs. Calliandra haematocephala, commonly known as the Powder Puff Tree, is native to South America. Powder Puffs grow up to 10 feet tall with an equal spread, but dwarf, 3-6 foot varieties are also available.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
Powder Puff Plant, Calliandra, Calliandra haematocephala .	Red	Seasonal bloomer	3.00 to 6.00 feet	Easy to grow

Planting and care

Calliandras grow and flower best if they are grown in full sun, but they tolerate some partial shade, especially in hot summer regions. They should be planted in reasonably fertile, moist but well-drained soil with a pH of 6.0-7.5. Powder Puff plants should be watered regularly and thoroughly to maintain evenly moist soil, especially during the summer growing season.

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Full Sun to Partial Shade	Well-drained soil	Medium	60°-75°.	Apply any organic fertilizer

Caring for Powder Puff Plant

- Powder Puff plants can also be propagated with stem tip cuttings taken during the spring months.
- Dust each cut with a rooting hormone and strike into a peat moss/perlite mix at 75° until the cuttings are well rooted.

Typical uses of Powder Puff Plant

Special features: Container plant. Houseplant.

Ornamental use: The plant is used for ornamental purpose.

Medicinal use: No reported folkloric medicinal use in the Philippines. In Nigeria, roots used in the treatment of hemorrhoids. (7) Elsewhere, decoction of the flowers used as blood purifier and tonic.

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