Fire Flash Orange Spider Plant

Chlorophytum amaniense 'Fire Flash'



Fire Flash Orange Spider Plant stems
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Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ◐

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Mandarin Plant, Chlorophytum orchidastrum

Description:

Typically cultivated as a houseplant, this variety presents pointed, deep green leaves with contrasting bright orange midribs; great for containers, or hanging baskets; tolerates drought and deep shade, but perfers bright indirect sun

Ornamental Features

Fire Flash Orange Spider Plant's attractive pointy leaves remain dark green in color with pointy orange spines and tinges of coral-pink throughout the season on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth.

Landscape Attributes

Fire Flash Orange Spider Plant is an herbaceous annual 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 not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Fire Flash Orange Spider Plant is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

Planting & Growing

Fire Flash Orange Spider Plant will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. Although it's not a true annual, this plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant should be grown in a location with partial shade. Keep it away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. 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. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Fire Flash Orange Spider Plant is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.