Kimono Red Celosia

Celosia 'Kimono Red'



Kimono Red Celosia flowers
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Height: 10 inches

Spread: 8 inches

Spacing: 6 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Cockscomb, Plume Celosia, Woolflower

Group/Class: Kimono Series

Description:

Stunning deep red plumes stand tall above green foliage; low maintenance upright habit, perfect for patio containers, beddings and window boxes; heat and drought tolerant

Ornamental Features

Kimono Red Celosia features showy plumes of red flowers rising above the foliage from late spring to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its pointy leaves remain green in color with hints of burgundy throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Kimono Red Celosia is a dense herbaceous annual with a mounded form. 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 is a relatively low maintenance plant, and may require the occasional pruning to look its best. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Kimono Red Celosia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Kimono Red Celosia will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 6 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain low and dense right to the ground. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Kimono Red Celosia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.