Candy Tops Red Snapdragon

Antirrhinum 'Candy Tops Red'



Candy Tops Red Snapdragon flowers
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Height: 8 inches

Spread: 6 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 7

Group/Class: Candy Tops Series

Description:

Eye-catching color and a dwarf habit, create a perfect selection for borders, beds and patio containers; sweetly scented blossoms are produced on strong, sturdy stems; blooms in late spring and fall; may not set flowers in the heat of the summer months

Ornamental Features

Candy Tops Red Snapdragon is clothed in stunning clusters of lightly-scented red pea-like flowers with yellow eyes at the ends of the stems from mid spring to mid fall. Its small pointy leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Candy Tops Red Snapdragon is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It is a good choice for attracting bees and hummingbirds 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.

Candy Tops Red Snapdragon is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Candy Tops Red Snapdragon will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 inches. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. 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. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. 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.

Candy Tops Red Snapdragon 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 larger 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.