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Sunrise Red Hyssop

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Agastache 'Sunrise Red'



Sunrise Red Hyssop flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Plant Height: 12 inches

Flower Height: 18 inches

Spread: 16 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Anise Hyssop, Licorice Mint, Hummingbird Mint

Description:

Tall spikes of nectar rich red flowers with burgundy calyxes held above compact mounds of green, licorice scented foliage; attracts pollinators to the garden

Ornamental Features

Sunrise Red Hyssop features airy spikes of lightly-scented ruby-red tubular flowers with burgundy calyces rising above the foliage from mid spring to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive fragrant narrow leaves remain green in colour throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Sunrise Red Hyssop is a dense herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies 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.

Sunrise Red Hyssop is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Herb Gardens
- Container Planting

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Planting & Growing

Sunrise Red Hyssop will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity extending to 18 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 16 inches. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing 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 only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in 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, but has a definite preference for alkaline soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Sunrise Red Hyssop is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage 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.