

# Lakeshore Garden Centres

## Mantra Bright Red Geranium

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### Mantra™ Bright Red Geranium

*Pelargonium 'Mantra Bright Red'*

Height: 16 inches

Spread: 16 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Mantra Series

#### Description:

An outstanding series ideal for container and combination planting; deep green foliage sets the backdrop for bold, brilliantly colored flowers to take center stage; well branched, with a vigorous upright habit; remove spent flowers to encourage new blooms

#### Ornamental Features

Mantra Bright Red Geranium features bold balls of lightly-scented semi-double scarlet flowers at the ends of the stems from late spring to early fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its tomentose round palmate leaves remain dark green in colour throughout the season.

#### Landscape Attributes

Mantra Bright Red Geranium is an 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 plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Mantra Bright Red Geranium is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



*Mantra Bright Red Geranium flowers*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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### Planting & Growing

Mantra Bright Red Geranium will grow to be about 16 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 16 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. 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.

Mantra Bright Red Geranium 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.