Canna'Show Offs'



"A Better Garden Starts With A Better Plant"

> Floral accents for todays outdoor living areas

Easy To Grow In Sunny Gardens • Plant For Tropical Effect

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Full Sun/ Part Shade

Light Frost Tolerant



Water Wise Once Established



50 - 75cm

Wear gloves and wash hands after gardening

Aussie Winners[®] Canna 'Show Offs' will be available from good garden centres in Australia and New Zealand. Look for them in the distinctive silver coloured pots printed with the AW logo. For additional information and stockists contact Aussie Winners on (07) 3206 7676. For media inquiries contact Helen Moody, PR consultant to Aussie Winners. Phone: (02)9420 9919; Email: hmoody@aapt.net.au 'Show off' Trademark applied for.

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Aussie Winners Premium Canna Series

Canna X generalis hybrid (Garden Origin)

Key Benefits

Cannas are the right plant for these times when the tropical effect is so much in vogue. Aside from the striking foliage which varies with variety they have dramatic flower spikes which continue to open new flowers from each flower spike for several weeks.

Canna "Show Offs" varieties are selected for their clean vibrant lines which blend well into the modern plantings.

Leaves and flowers are used in floral decoration.

Origin

Cannas are the only members of the Cannaceae family which includes the edible Canna edulis called Queensland Arrowroot. Tubers of some other varieties are eaten by indigenous people in various parts of the world. The "Show Offs" series are derived from Canna X generalis hybrids which are of garden origin. There is such a mix in the breeding carried out over the years since these plants were introduced to cultivation that no-one knows the true parentage although Canna orchiodes is certainly present in most of today's varieties.

Uses

In most parts of Australia and in the north island of New Zealand where most of our gardeners are situated Cannas will over winter in the garden putting on their best displays of foliage and flower in the warmer months of Spring, Summer and into Autumn. Plant into your garden to accentuate the tropical effect we all seem to desire in today's gardens. Cannas can be used to advantage as ornamental potted plants so long as they are kept continually moist to keep them growing happily.

Care

"Show Offs" need to be lifted or divided every two to three years. Wait till the weather is warm and lift after cutting the foliage back to 15cm from the tuber. Shake the soil loose and cut the tuber into pieces with no more than two eyes to each piece. Plant only healthy undamaged pieces into soil that is well worked and with plenty of good compost and animal manure added if it is available. Once the plant establishes mulch well to keep the moisture levels up to the new planting. Sunny aspects are preferred to achieve good strong growth and continual flowering. Once each stalk has finished flowering cut that stalk right out as this will promote flowering right through the summer and into autumn. Add compost and mulch around the plant when replanting to promote new growth for the season ahead. If rust spots appear on the older leaves remove and dump. Do not try to compost these as the spores will carry through the process and reinfect the plants next season

The "Show Offs' Series is another super selection from the team at Aussie Winners.

Varieties



Canna Australia -Flowers: Flamboyant vibrant red flowers. Foliage: tropical dark red foliage during warmer months of the year.



Canna Orange Punch -Flowers: Vibrant orange





Canna Emerald Sunset Flowers: Large ruffled orange flowers. Foliage: Dark emerald green leaves with red margin.



Canna Paton - Flowers are vellow with a burst of bright red like tongues of fire.



Canna Pretoria -Flowers: Large burnt orange flowers. Foliage: Dramatic gold & green leaves.

