



Candy Showers Red Snapdragon Antirrhinum majus 'Candy Showers Red'

Height: 8 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Candy Showers Series

## **Description:**

A smaller variety producing slightly fragrant red flowers on a low, mounded and trailing habit; excellent for hanging baskets, but will also spread in garden beds; add it to a container mix

## **Ornamental Features**

Candy Showers 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 colour throughout the season.

## Landscape Attributes

Candy Showers Red Snapdragon is an herbaceous annual with a trailing habit of growth, eventually spilling over the edges of hanging baskets and containers. 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 Showers Red Snapdragon is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



Candy Showers Red Snapdragon flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



## **Planting & Growing**

Candy Showers Red Snapdragon will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. 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 does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. To help this plant achive its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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 Showers Red Snapdragon is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. Because of its trailing habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.