### Meta Description

The Cordyline Red Sensation is a vibrant tropical plant, easily recognized by its burgundy colored leaves that resemble swords.

## Cordyline Red Sensation Description

Be bold with the Cordyline Red Sensation! This plant produces leaves that resemble burgundy swords, adding a dramatic pop of foliage to your container, hedge, or decorative garden. It's often used in parks and gardens with a Mediterranean, tropical, or contemporary look.

The Cordyline Red Sensation can grow between 3 to 6 feet high, and 2 to 3 feet wide. Plants planted directly in the ground in climates that remain warm all year long will grow larger than those planted in containers. Although this plant doesn't produce any fruit, it will bear small white flowers with a light and sweet fragrance. These blooms will typically appear in the early summer.

Preferring warmer climates, Cordyline Red Sensations grows best outdoors within USDA Hardiness Zones 9-11. It can be grown in cooler climates by utilizing containers, but should be moved inside when the temperature drops.

These plants require moderate but easy pruning to remain healthy and grow year after year. Leaves that are yellowing and dying should be removed by gently pulling at the base of each stem. Pruning should be done from the bottom of the plant upwards, keeping the space closest to the soil free from dead foliage.

# Cordyline Red Sensation Care

Cordyline Red Sensations like to be planted in rich, deep soil that drains well. They're an adaptable plant and can thrive in full sun, full shade, and everything in between. However, they should be sheltered from harsh winds to prevent damage to the sword-like leaves.

During the growing season, water this plant regularly and deeply, reducing the amount of water during the cooler months. If growing your Cordyline Red Sensation in a planter or container, it should be watered only when the soil surface has become dry.

Cordyline Red Sensations should be pruned from the bottom up, removing lower foliage as it starts to brown and fade in brilliance. Leaves should easily come away from the plant with just a small tug, leaving the other healthier stems behind. Plants that are beginning to look tired and

limp can be rejuvenated by removing the top, leaving at least 4-8 inches remaining above the soil line.

The Cordyline Red Sensation will grow upwards and outwards into an evergreen tree when planted in warmer climates. Each summer will bring buds and white flowers to the multiple branches, creating a beautiful flowery canvas. These flowers will dazzle your senses with their light and sweet scent. The plant will remain smaller in cooler climates, but will still flower each summer.

## Cordyline Red Sensation Fruit and Harvesting

Cordyline Red Sensations are a purely decorative plant and produce no fruit that can be harvested. Although the stems and roots are technically edible, they are not often consumed. Most gardeners grow the Cordyline Red Sensation solely as a decorative plant.

# Cordyline Red Sensation Advice

The Cordyline Red Sensation is an easy plant to care for. It tolerates all sun conditions well and will thrive in full sun, partial sun, and full shade. It prefers soil that is deep and with excellent drainage. The Cordyline Red Sensation should be watered thoroughly and frequently to promote root growth during its first growing season. After that, it still requires regular watering, and should receive additional water whenever the top three inches of the soil are dry.

As a tropical plant, the Cordyline Red Sensation loves a warm and humid climate. If planted outside in these climates, they can grow from 3 to 6 feet tall and 2 to 3 feet wide. This makes it an ideal plant to use as a decorative hedge, especially when combined with other plants with lower growth heights.

If planting a Cordyline Red Sensation outside of the USDA Hardiness Zones 9-11, it's best to use a planter or container instead of planting directly into the ground. This will allow the plant to be moved inside when the outside air temperature drops, which can damage the plant. This species is not frost resistant, and you should take care to move the plant indoors before the first appearance of frost occurs.

#### **FAQs**

#### Can Cordyline Red Sensations Be Grown In Containers Or Planters?

Yes, this plant grows very well when planted in a container. The container should have good drainage and be deep enough for the roots to have room to grow. You can easily move plants in containers indoors before the first threat of frost in colder climates.

#### Does The Cordyline Red Sensation Have Flowers?

The Cordyline Red Sensation will produce small white flowers, typically in the early summer. The blossoms will have a light and sweet fragrance.

#### Can The Cordyline Red Sensation Remain Outdoors In Winter?

As a tropical plant, the Cordyline Red Sensation does not tolerate the cold well. It grows best in USDA Hardiness Zones 9-11, and when grown outside of those zones, a container or planter should be used so that the plants can be moved safely indoors before the first frost falls.

#### Will Deer And Other Animals Bother A Cordyline Red Sensation?

Deer and other animals will rarely bother a Cordyline Red Sensation, and it's often used as deer-resistant foliage when used in landscaped borders or hedges.