Anthurium andreanum

(Tailflower, Flamingo-Flower)

Flamingo lily is known for its glossy red flower which creates a tropical look in any indoor or outdoor plantation. This species is native to the tropical forests of Ecuador where it is naturally growing as an epiphyte (tree dweller). The large, heart or arrow shaped leaves are evergreen glossy, light green in color and look great all season. The long-lasting, showy flower bracts come in shades of red, rose, pink, and white with a protruding pale yellow, tail-like flower spadix. The plants bloom freely as long as growing conditions are favorable. The plant needs partial shade or shade high humidity and well-drained medium. Anthurium leaves lose their shiny texture and may die if humidity drops below 50 percent. Anthuriums are grown as landscape plants in the tropics and as houseplants or tender patio plants in temperate climates



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Flamant rose, langue de feu. **Pronounciation:** an-THUR-ee-um an-dree-AY-

Plant Type: Groundcover

Origin: Central America, South America

Heat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

Hardiness Zones: 10, 11, 12

Uses: Specimen, Indoor, Container

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Slow **Tree Shape:** Upright

Canopy Symmetry: Symmetrical

Canopy Density: Open Canopy Texture: Coarse

Height at Maturity: Less than 0.5 m Spread at Maturity: Less than 50 cm Time to Ultimate Height: 1 to 2 Years

Notes

Best planted in tropical landscape

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Spiral
Leaf Venation: Brachidodrome
Leaf Persistance: Evergreen

Leaf Type: Simple **Leaf Blade:** 20 - 30

Leaf Shape: Sagittate - Arrow

Leaf Margins: Revolute

Leaf Textures: Leathery, Glossy, Coarse

Leaf Scent: No Fragance
Color(growing season): Green
Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: True Flower Size Range: 7 - 10

Flower Type: Spadix

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: No Fragance

Flower Color: Red Seasons: Year Round

Trunk

Trunk Esthetic Values: Not Showy

Fruit

Fruit Type: Berry

Fruit Showiness: False Fruit Size Range: 1.5 - 3

Fruit Colors: Red Seasons: Year Round

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: No Heat Tolerant: Yes Drought Tolerant: No Salt Tolerance: Poor

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Loam

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral **Water Requirements:** Moderate

Light Requirements: Part, Shade

Management

Toxity: No

Invasive Potential: No

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: Yes Pruning Requirement: No pruning at all

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Surface Rooting: No Life Span: Less than 25

Edible Parts:

Pests: Mites, Scales, Mealy-Bug **Plant Propagations:** Division

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