

## **Canna Lily 'Cleopatra Red'** **Canna x generalis 'Cleopatra Red'**

Canna Lilies are a staple in most Southern gardens. They provide colorful flowers and tropical looking foliage on easy-care plants. As the name suggests, the flowers of this variety are usually a brilliant red/orange with splashes of yellow. Occasionally, the yellow color may be more dominant. They bloom from mid-Summer to early Fall. The large, green leaves of this Canna are sometimes tinged with burgundy. They are a deciduous perennial and will grow to a height of 3-4 feet.



**Plant Care:** Best grown in full sun in fertile, well drained soil. Space the plants or rhizomes 15-20 inches apart to provide room to grow as well as good air circulation. Use mulch to help retain moisture. Water regularly for the first couple of months. After the plants are well established, supplemental watering should only be necessary if there is no rain for a period of 5-7 days. May need more frequent watering in the heat of summer. Fertilize at the beginning of spring with an all-purpose fertilizer. When the leaves die back after the first frost, remove the dead foliage and cover the rhizomes with a little extra mulch for the winter. These plants will spread if the environment is suitable. Simply dig up any unwanted plants and share with a friend!

### **References:**

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