

Design Edge®

Cordyline australis Rhapsody™



AT A GLANCE

FOLIAGE	FLOWER	HABIT	HEIGHT	WIDTH	SPACING
 Crimson	 Cream	 Strappy, develops trunk	 2.5m	 1.0m	 1.0m

Best for:
Feature plant, containers.

Climatic Zone: 1 - 4

A powerful crimson colour!

Rhapsody™ is a new variety of Cordyline australis derived from Red Star. It has the same upright growth characteristics as Red Star, but in a vivid crimson colour. Growers can expect the same reliability and cool growing advantages in Rhapsody. The flush of crimson colour on each leaf is interspersed with light purple stripes.

Cool production offers more intense colour

The colour of Rhapsody becomes more intense when grown at cooler temperatures. This is a great benefit to growers who want to conserve energy costs during the production period. Rhapsody is more compact than Red Star and is therefore best suited to 13-14 cm pots. If production is desired for 17 cm pots then use the warmer growing months, or a minimum of 12 degrees C to gain extra plant height.

Pictures

- Rhapsody in 17 cm pots. Strong vivid colour.

Rhapsody is the trade name of protected variety 'Spricorhapso'⁽¹⁾

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VARIETY SPECIFICATION SHEET – Cordyline, Echeveria, Gazania, Kalanchoe, Phormium

BOTANICAL NAME	VARIETY	FOLIAGE COLOUR		FLOWER COLOUR		HABIT	HEIGHT	WIDTH	SPACING BETWEEN PLANTS	COLD TOLERANCE	SOIL TOLERANCE	CLIMATIC ZONE	BEST FOR
Cordyline australis	Fantasy™	Green	Green/Cream	Yellow	Cream	Strappy, develops trunk	2.5m	1.0m	1.5m	to -5°C	Heavy loam to light sandy	1 ~ 4	Feature plant, containers.
Cordyline australis	Rhapsody™	Red	Crimson/purple	Yellow	Cream	Strappy, develops trunk	1.5m	1.0m	1.0m	to -10°C	Heavy loam to light sandy	1 ~ 4	Feature plant, containers.
Cordyline banksii	Electric Pink™	Pink	Pink	Yellow	Cream	Upright arching clump	1.2m	1.0m	0.8m	to -5°C	Heavy loam to light sandy	1 ~ 4	Feature plant, colourful landscape displays, containers.
Cordyline banksii	Electric Star™	Green	Green/Chocolate	Yellow	Cream	Upright arching clump	1.2m	1.0m	0.8m	to -5°C	Heavy loam to light sandy	1 ~ 4	Feature plant, colourful landscape displays, containers.
Echeveria hybrid	Contempo™	Red	Reddy Brown	Green	Green	Dome	0.25m	0.4m	0.4m	to -5°C	Heavy loam to light sandy	1 ~ 4	Garden beds, balcony planters, dry embankments or for inhospitable hot dry locations.
Echeveria hybrid	Deco-Edge™	Blue	Grey/Pink	Pink	Pink	Globe	0.3m	0.4m	0.4m	to -5°C	Heavy loam to light sandy	1 ~ 4	Garden beds, balcony planters, containers and where low maintenance plants are a priority.
Gazania hybrid	Dynamo™	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Lemon/Magenta	Dome	0.25m	0.45m	0.3-0.45m	to -5°C	Heavy loam to light sandy	1 ~ 3	A non-invasive variety, roadside median strips, groundcover.
Kalanchoe thyrsiflora	Fantastic	Red	Red Edges	Red	Pink Red	Globe	0.35-0.45m	0.45-0.6m	0.4-0.5m	to -3°C	Medium loam to light sandy	1 ~ 4	Contrasting colourful feature plant, garden beds, balcony planters, and where low maintenance plants are a priority.
Phormium tenax	Copper Shot™	Brown	Copper	Yellow	Cream	Upright arching clump	1.0m	0.8m	0.8-1.0m	to -5°C	Heavy loam to light sandy	1 ~ 3	Contrast foliage, border and feature plantings en masse.
Phormium tenax	Flashdance™	Green	Apricot pink/green	Yellow	Cream	Upright arching clump	1.0m	0.8m	0.8-1.0m	to -5°C	Heavy loam to light sandy	1 ~ 3	Contrast foliage, border and feature plantings en masse.
Phormium tenax	Pink Ribbon™	Green	Green/Pink	Yellow	Cream	Upright arching clump	1.0m	0.8m	0.8-1.0m	to -5°C	Heavy loam to light sandy	1 ~ 3	Contrast foliage, border and feature plantings en masse.
Yucca gloriosa	Carnival™	Green	Green/Cream	Yellow	Cream	Strappy, develops trunk	2.0m	1.0m	1.2m	to -5°C	Heavy loam to light sandy	1 ~ 4	Dry and hot garden beds, architectural designs. Feature or border plantings.

Climate Zones

Over the past years Australia has experienced some extreme weather from droughts to significant rainfall. The climatic tolerances of a variety must therefore be measured not just according to temperature extremes, but also by seasonal rainfall patterns. The adjacent map shows four major climate zones for the Australian continent. Zones 2 and 4 have wet summers while Zones 1 and 3 have wet winters.

To assist in variety selection, please review the Specification Sheet above which nominates the recommended climate zone for each variety.



- Zone 1**
Mid to warm summers, cool wet winters
- Zone 2**
Warm wet summers
- Zone 3**
Hot dry summers, cold to mild winters
- Zone 4**
Hot wet summers