



Red Banana Leaf Tree

GENERAL INFORMATION: A stunning palm-like plant with huge, broad leaves that fan out from a single trunk. Bold-colored foliage has wine-red and bronze tones with prominent venation. A popular choice for tropical-inspired gardens. Perfect for large patio containers. Evergreen in frost-free climates.

LIGHT: When planting your Red Banana tree, it's important to choose a location that gets plenty of direct sunlight because bananas love heat and sun. A south-facing window and a minimum of 4-6 hours of full sunlight per day is recommended. You can also keep them outdoors during summer.

WATERING: Red Banana trees need lots of water to keep their large leaves well hydrated. The soil should always be moist, so be sure to keep the plant well watered and do not let the soil go dry. At the same time, be careful not to oversaturate, as this could lead to root rot.

FERTILIZER: Red Banana trees do best in well-drained, mildly acidic soil. Soil that has a pH between 5.5 and 6.5 is best. Red Banana trees are hearty, big eaters and need plenty of nutrients, especially for flower and fruit production. Potassium-rich fertilizer is great, and you could even consider adding compost and manure to help boost the plant's nutrient intake. It's recommended that you fertilize once a month with a well-balanced organic fertilizer. Formula 10-10-10 is an excellent choice.

MAINTENANCE: Red Banana plant care involves proper site selection, watering, and fertilization. These trees require rich soil with plenty of organic matter and partial or full sun. Be sure the soil at the planting site is well drained. Water the plant weekly, more often during the hottest part of summer.

The Red Leaf Banana tree is an ornamental plant that makes for an attractive, standout addition to any home garden or landscape. Its potent bronze-colored, fat-trunk is very bold in the garden when used only as a single accent. Overdo it, and you lose its dramatic form and impact. Though they do not typically produce edible fruit, the Red Banana tree is ideal in courtyards where they won't overgrow. They tend to grow best in sheltered locations such as walled entry gardens, atriums and in slots between buildings.