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**Lubega® XL Deep Red Dahlia**  
*Dahlia 'Lubega XL Deep Red'*

Height: 20 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Lubega Series

**Description:**

This wonderful series produces elegant, large deep red flowers that rise above green foliage; an extra large variety, perfect for borders, garden landscapes and large containers; double blooms are excellent for fresh cut arrangements

**Ornamental Features**

Lubega XL Deep Red Dahlia features showy dark red daisy flowers at the ends of the stems from early summer to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its pointy leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

**Landscape Attributes**

Lubega XL Deep Red Dahlia is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Lubega XL Deep Red Dahlia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



*Lubega XL Deep Red Dahlia flowers*  
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

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### **Planting & Growing**

Lubega XL Deep Red Dahlia will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. This annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Lubega XL Deep Red Dahlia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.

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