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Queen Red Lime Zinnia Zinnia 'Queen Red Lime'

Height: 3 feet Spread: 24 inches Spacing: 12 inches Sunlight: O Hardiness Zone: (annual)

# **Description:**

Standing front and center in patio containers and landscapes, this variety features beautiful soft burgundy and lime green flowers; sturdy, mounded plants with excellent heat and drought tolerance; 4" large blooms are superb for fresh cut arrangements

#### **Ornamental Features**

Queen Red Lime Zinnia features bold burgundy ball-shaped flowers with lime green overtones at the ends of the stems from early summer to early fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its pointy leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

### Landscape Attributes

Queen Red Lime Zinnia is an herbaceous annual with a mounded form. 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. Trim off the flower heads after they fade and die to encourage more blooms late into the season. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Queen Red Lime Zinnia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



Queen Red Lime Zinnia flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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## **Planting & Growing**

Queen Red Lime Zinnia will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers to grow in average to dry locations, and dislikes excessive moisture. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Queen Red Lime Zinnia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used 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. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. 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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