

# Gertens Plant Info.



## **Tiny Rocket Lily** *Lilium 'Tiny Rocket'*

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 10 inches

Sunlight: ○ ●

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Group/Class: Asiatic Hybrid

### **Description:**

Dramatic, upright clusters of spectacular red flowers, crowning strong, compact stems; a stunning late spring to mid summer presentation for borders and patio containers; very impressive when massed

### **Ornamental Features**

Tiny Rocket Lily features bold cherry red trumpet-shaped flowers with black spots at the ends of the stems from late spring to mid summer, which emerge from distinctive chartreuse flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its glossy narrow leaves remain dark green in color throughout the season.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Tiny Rocket Lily is an herbaceous perennial 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 plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects
- Disease



*Tiny Rocket Lily flowers*  
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*Tiny Rocket Lily in bloom*  
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Tiny Rocket Lily is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

### **Planting & Growing**

Tiny Rocket Lily will grow to be about 14 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 10 inches apart. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

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 is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by multiplication of the underground bulbs; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Tiny Rocket Lily is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.

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