

SEED OF THE MONTH:

Common Name: Coral Plant

Scientific Name: Jatropha podagrica

Family: Euphorbiaceae

Genus: Jatropha

Species: Jatropha Podagrica

Height: Spacing: Sun Exposure:

2 – 3 feet Depends on use Sun or Shade

Bloom Color: Bright Orange and yellow centers

Bloom Time: Year-round.

Other Details:

ALL PARTS ARE POISONOUS! The cluster of vibrant orange/yellow flowers attract many different species of butterfly. The flowers turn into seed pods that literally burst when mature. The Coral Plant makes a great potted plant and doesn't require much attention or care. It does enjoy a little fertilizer 1 to 2 times a year.

Soil Requirements: Well drained.

Water Requirements: In-ground plantings should be watered 1x per week and twice a week for potted coral plants.

Propagation Methods:

This plant grows best from seed.

Known Uses:

Used as a landscape ornamental, in areas where a pop of color is needed. Its vibrant blossoms attract beneficial pollinators.

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