

Photinia glabra Red Devil

Common Name Photinia

Height Medium Growing (2 - 3m)

Spread Narrow (up to 1m)

Growing Conditions Full Sun, Low Maintenance, Low Water Use, Moderate Watering, Tolerates Light Frost, Well Drained, Wind Tolerant



Profile

Red Devil is a medium growing Photinia that only requires minimal pruning to maintain shape and bushiness. Deep red new growth is displayed throughout the warmer months. Red Devil is perfect for medium sized hedges. Displaying deep red new growth on a naturally rounded shrub with great disease resistance.

Paradise Photinia are very hardy and tolerate most soil types throughout most climatic zones of Australia, from the cold frost affected inland regions to the hot and humid coastal districts. But in all cases good drainage is essential.

Uses

Medium hedging, Public landscaping, Feature shrub, Containers, Exotic, Foliage, Hedging, Screening, Shrubs

Planting

Full sun or semi shade.

Photinia will not tolerate waterlogged soils.

Heavy or compacted soils are best improved with organic matter prior to planting.

Good drainage is essential for all Photinia

Space plants 1m apart for a hedge or border.

Dig planting hole twice the width and depth of the pot to be planted. Backfill with topsoil ensuring that the rootball sits no lower than the surrounding soil level. Water deeply and apply mulch.

Care

Once established Photinia are very tolerant of dry conditions however regular deep watering during the first 3 months after planting will help to establish a stronger and more vigorous plant.

Mulch helps to protect surface roots from extremes of temperature and retains moisture in the soil. Mulch should be applied to a depth of 10cm and kept at least 5cm - 10cm away from the base of the plant to ensure adequate airflow around the stem. Placing mulch right up to the stem can increase the likelihood of pest and disease problems occurring.

Pruning your Photinia once a year is all that is required to maintain a compact and neat plant. However if a hedge or more formal shape is desired they can be trimmed at any time of year as necessary.

Fertilise Spring and Summer with a high quality complete fertiliser.

To view the extended profile for this variety follow

http://www.paradisepplants.com.au/Plants/Plant.aspx?plant_id=632.