

Botanical Name: Alstroemeria aurantiaca

Common Name: Peruvian lily

Type of Plant: monocot: perennial Family Liliaceae

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape Upright clump of glossy green foliage topped by azalea-like
flowers; blooms through spring and summer, but goes dormant in winter

Height to 5 ft. Spread to 6 ft. Growth Rate Moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoor Full sun preferred

Soil performs best in a cool, moist sandy loam soil

Hardiness Hardy – Zones 5-9, 14-24

Morphology:

Leaves Narrowly elliptical, glossy and blue-green, blade to 1-1/2" long
with parallel veins, alternate to whorled near top of stems

Flowers brightly colored lily flowers ranging from orange to red to pink,
lilac and white, often striped or spotted

Fruit small fleshy capsules

Propagation: seed, division of roots

Usage: used in drifts on hillsides, in large planter areas, perennial beds
and formal gardens; superb cut flower, used for long blooming season and heavy
flower display – one of the best "new" perennials

Landscape Care:

Watering takes moderate watering in well-drained soils – water regularly
to prolong blooming season

Fertilizing slow-release fertilizer in early spring

Pruning break off stems at base when picking flowers or controlling size

Pests/Diseases none major

Other do not disturb plants – they re-establish slowly after transplanting

Origin: Peru, northern South America