

Botanical Name: Clivia miniata

Common Name: African lily

Type of Plant: monocot; perennial Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape distinctive pattern of strap-shaped leaves arising in
bunched 'stack-rows' from a basal bulb-like fleshy structure, arching outwards
to form a low-medium sized clump

Height 1-1/2-3' Spread equal + Growth Rate slow

Environment:

Exposure outdoors partial sun/shade, full sun along coast

Soil prefers well mulched, moist, acidic pH soils

Hardiness hardy, (zones 15-17, 19-24) prefers warm, moist climate

Morphology:

Leaves fleshy, distinctly strap-shaped, dark glossy green, arise
from base in rows, 1-1/2 to 3' long, 1-3" wide, rounded tips

Flowers yellow, orange or red, funnel shaped, 10-20 in a compact
umbel, 2-3" long, stalk 1-3' long--December-April

Fruit 1/2" red berry

Propagation: division of clump, seed

Usage: small filler or large facer for its dramatic flower display
and attractive foliage in shady locations; effective container plant, often
used in tropical or even woodsy landscape styles

Landscape Care:

Watering regular, tolerates heavy watering if drainage is good

Fertilizing balanced in spring and summer, iron for chlorosis

Pruning none--remove old flower stalks and leaves

Pests/Diseases snails/slugs, salt burn in poorly drained soil

Special Conditions blooms best in root-bound condition

Origin: South Africa Family: Amaryllidaceae