

Botanical Name: Anthurium species

Common Name: Anthurium

Type of Plant: Monocot: houseplant Family Araceae

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape small, clumping upright plant; leaf blades form above long,
 slender petioles; dramatic spadix flowers stand well above foliage

Height to 3 ft. Spread to 2 ft. Growth Rate slow-moderate

Environment:

Exposure indoors needs protected conditions; bright light and high humidity

Soil average potting soil

Hardiness very tender; grow in greenhouse condiions

Morphology:

Leaves hastate to cordate, glossy and leathery, blades to 5" long,
 usually found on long petioles up to 12" long

Flowers brightly colored spadix flowers ranging in color from red to
 white to orange or pink

Fruit drupes which turn red when fully ripe

Propagation: division, seed, stem cuttings, tissue culture

Usage: popular cut flower, specimen plant, used in mass plantings in
 shopping malls, hotel lobbies, etc.; prized tropical plant for flowers and
 foliage; hobby plant in greenhouse conditions

Landscape Care:

Watering requires regular watering; provide occasional deep watering
 to flush salts from soil; use bottled water where possible

Fertilizing slow release fertilizer twice yearly

Pruning remove dead flowers and leaves

Pests/Diseases mealybug, scale, salt burn

Other

Origin: Tropical America