




PLANT VARIETY INFORMATION SHEET FOR:
Aloe 'Topaz'

ORIGIN: South Africa

GENUS: Aloe

COMMON NAME OF SPECIES: Aloe Hybrid

PROTECTION STATUS: Being test marketed under section 43(6) of the Plant Breeders Rights Act, 1994 until 18 March 2009, after which full protection under the Plant Breeders Rights Act is intended. A condition of sale is that no commercial propagation or export of the plants takes place without permission and that every plant subsequently supplied by the purchaser to another party is done on the strict condition that the official  label is attached to that plant.

CHARACTERISTICS: Small stemmed plant with elegant soft broad grassy green leaves and pinkish orange flowers.

GROWTH HABIT: Grass aloe habit- clumping.

FOLIAGE: Soft broad grassy green leaves with soft white spines

FOLIAGE HEIGHT: Approximately 30cm-40cm

PLANT WIDTH: Approximately 20cm-30cm

FLOWERS: Long lasting upright unbranched inflorescence

FLOWER COLOUR: Pinkish orange

FLOWER STEM HEIGHT Approximately: 20 cm above foliage

FLOWERING PERIOD: Mid summer to early winter.

HARDINESS: Hardy, once established

WATER: Minimal water required but able to cope with significant rain once established. For pot specimens allow soil surface to dry out between watering. Require less water in winter. If desired, water during dry periods to promote foliage growth.

FROST TOLERANCE: Mild frost tolerant once established.

POSITION: Best grown in full sun (for optimal flowering performance and growth) but will tolerate part shade

SOIL: Grows best in rich, fertile and well drained soil. It is essential that the soil is free draining and not waterlogged

FERTILISER: Fertilise in spring for optimum growth (organic fertiliser preferred but not essential)

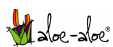
PEST OR DISEASES: None observed or known.

LANDSCAPE USE: Suitable for mass plantings, borders or as a pot specimen

AVAILABILITY: Currently available in limited quantities in 180 mm pots



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