

ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM

PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Raspberry FuzziesTM *Acalypha monostachya*

DESCRIPTION: The beautiful coppery foliage provides a unique color for desert landscapes. This low mounding perennial has pink-red flowers, produced from April through November. These fuzzy balls glow when backlit by the sun! Raspberry Fuzzies is native to the Chihuahuan Desert of west central Texas and northern Mexico. It is a very adaptable groundcover, tolerating poor soils, full sun, heat and moderate cold. It is cold hardy in Tucson, but will defoliate after the first frost. The plant will re-grow quickly in the spring to form a low mound to 12 inches tall by 3-4 feet wide.

RECOMMENDED USE: Color, ground cover, border, container or hanging pot.

CULTURE:

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Hardiness: 10°F.



Sun tolerance: Full sun to part shade



Watering and feeding: Moderate water use. Feed in spring & summer.



Soil requirements: Most any soil that is well-drained.



Pruning: Cut plants back to ground level after the first frost.