

Safari Red Marigold



**Loves the heat and blooms until
late October frosts!**

Tagetes patula 'Safari Red'

- **Use:** These French Marigolds are a great companion plant for pretty much all garden plants, blooming or edible. Their roots contain thiopene which is toxic to certain nematodes. Plant marigolds around the outside of your garden to discourage aphids and beetles from stopping by for and all you can eat smorgasbord. On the flip side, marigolds will also attract beneficial insects that will snack on the insects that are feasting on your plants. Beans, carrots, cabbages and tomatoes are just a few plants that benefit from having marigolds as a companion plant.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun or at least 5-6 hours of afternoon sun. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Use slow release fertilizer for best results. Keep water off leaves and flowers.
- **Growth:** Grows 12-15" tall and 10-12" wide.
- **Hardiness: Zone** 9-11, Annual, houseplant.
- **Foliage:** Small, lacy leaves.
- **Flower:** Their extra-large double bloom marigolds that flower early with 2-2.5 inch blooms. on compact plants make a bold statement as the flattened large lower petals work their way up to ruffled centers.