

Arizona Red Shades Blanket Flower



Gaillardia x grandiflora 'Arizona Red Shades'

- **Use:** Red Shades' is the newest in the Arizona family of early-blooming, floriferous, compact plants. 'Arizona Sun' revolutionized the way gardeners used Gaillardia, and now 'Red Shades' has come to claim its spot in the sunny garden! Hardy from one end of the country to the other, this native perennial is happy in any sun-soaked spot. It puts up with heat, humidity, cold, poor soil, and -- once it has built up a good root system in your garden -- drought. The flowers are lovely for cutting, too
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full– part sun. Moist, well-drained soil, but not soggy. Use slow release fertilizer two times a year. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry.
- **Growth:** Flower stalks to only 12 in. tall, mounds to 18 in. wide.
- **Hardiness:** 4-9; Perennial
- **Foliage:** Semi-evergreen. The flowers top mounds of roughly textured gray-green leaves
- **Flower:** The flowers are large, many-petaled, and lovely. Expect them to reach 4 inches wide and to crowd one another for space on compact plants 12 inches high and 10 to 14 inches wide. They begin blooming with the first warm weather -- typically in late spring -- and won't quit until nipped by fall frost!



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