

Red/ Blood Banana



If plant is too large to bring inside as a house-plant, cut foliage back to 6-8" in fall after first frost, and store container in a cool, dark, frost-free corner of the basement until spring, providing just a touch of moisture as needed in winter to prevent the soils from totally drying out.



Musa zebrina 'Rojo'

- **Use:** Impress the neighbors with this super fast growing banana! In no time you will have a huge, lush tropical paradise with a stand of these! Mainly used for its ornamental qualities as opposed to the fruit, but they are edible. Known as Blood Banana because of the red splotches on the top side of the leaf and the solid red undersides.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun– part shade (best with a little shade). Provide well-drained, moist soil, but not soggy. Use a slow release fertilizer. Always hungry this plant loves lots of water and fertilizer!
- **Growth:** This banana can grow 6-8 feet tall with an equal spread. Great for the garden as well as containers.
- **Hardiness:** 9-11, Annual; Some people report them coming back with a good mulching and protection or bringing them inside in the winter. For best results bring inside the 1st winter.
- **Foliage:** Most attractive green and red mottling on the top and solid maroon coloring on the bottom of the leaves.
- **Flower:** Blooms late summer, but requires LOTS of fertilizing and growth first.

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