

Black Cardinal Philodendron



Philodendron erubescens 'Black Cardinal'

- **Use:** An exotic beauty that every houseplant lover needs. Its stunning leaves first appear with a coppery hue, but as they mature, they turn a deep, glossy black. It's vibrant color changes make it a unique addition to your indoor garden and a plant you'll want to watch grow! It's easy to care for, too, so what are you waiting for?
- **Exposure/Soil:** Grows well in bright indirect light. In lower light the leaves turn a darker green. Too much light or direct sun burns the leaves so be sure to give them bright, indirect light. Enjoys moist but not soggy soil. During the winter, water less often, keeping the soil barely moist. Do not let plant stand in water in saucer either. Feed monthly during the spring, summer, and fall with a water-soluble balanced fertilizer diluted to ½ the recommended strength. Too much plant food causes excess salt build up in the soil and can cause leaf burn.
- **Growth:** A slow-growing houseplant, it makes for an excellent addition to your favorite desk or tabletop when young. As it matures, it can reach 2-4 feet tall and 1-2' wide or so as a houseplant. This self-heading philodendron forms a neat, upright clump of foliage rather than growing as a vining plant
- **Hardiness:** Zone 10-12 Annual; Houseplant, must bring inside in the winter or when temps go below 60 degrees.
- **Foliage:** Features broad, glossy leaves that emerge bronze and mature to a deep, almost black burgundy.
- **Flower:** Not known for flowers.



This plant filters pollutants from the air while releasing oxygen. With this plant in your home, you breathe cleaner air.

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