

Plant Name	Scientific	Common	Family
<i>Kniphofia caulescens</i>		Blue-leaf Red Hot Poker	Asphodelaceae
Propagation Method		Native to	
Seed		Drakensberg Mountains of South Africa	
Treatments (Suggested procedures)			
No pretreatment required. Sow seed and cover to a depth equal to the diameter of the seed. Place under intermittent mist, and germination will begin in 14-21 days. Remove plugs from mist one week after germination begins and keep plugs moist until they are ready to transplant. Plugs are typically ready to transplant about 60 days after the seed is sown.			
Collection Timing and Strategies			
Seed is commercially available.			
Cultural Information			
Greenhouse conditions			
Easy to grow, with no abnormal insect or disease problems. Tolerant of a wide range of growing conditions. Feed twice per week with up to 200 p.p.m. Nitrogen fertilizer.			
Garden conditions			
Should be grown in full sun, but will also grow in partial shade. Grows in loam (preferred), sandy loam, or clay loam soils. Clay soil or excessively well-drained soils should be avoided. Tolerates dry to moist soil conditions, but moist soil conditions in the winter can cause root rot diseases. Water once per week during dry periods if it is grown in a xeriscape garden.			
Other Expert Advice			