



Frenzy



Tizzy

Gaillardia Commotion® Series

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

World exclusive introduction from *Skagit Gardens*: a stunning pair of vibrant, fluted *Gaillardias* with flowers that are a wonderful commotion of color! This new series shows strong hybrid vigor, but still has a nicely manageable, mounding habit. The petal count per bloom is higher than other fluted forms, giving a very full, almost semidouble appearance. One of the most delightful traits of these two varieties is that their flower color changes, in accent and tone, over the course of the season. *PlantHaven; Pandemonium Plants*.

- **'Frenzy'**—Flowers of deep burgundy near the base of the petals fade to rich red with flutes tipped in vibrant yellow.
- **'Tizzy'**—Deep russet red buds open to flowers ranging from red to rosy terra cotta, outlined with a hint of yellow.

USES

'Frenzy' and 'Tizzy' together make a wonderful complement to G.'Fanfare': use them in gardens and patios where their colors will play off each other for a brilliant display. Plant them in a perennial border, or use as bold, striking, container centerpieces that shine all season long with their tremendous number of blooms. Long bloom season and quick finish times make these *Gaillardias* the perfect addition to summer and fall programs.

GROWER NOTES

The following information is based on our own experience with this crop in the Pacific Northwest. Growth will vary based on location, climate, growing medium and cultural practices. As always, where chemical use is involved, read the labels, follow the instructions and practice careful trialing methods.

- Grow in full sun and well-drained soil.
- Allow soil to dry between waterings, but not too dry, or foliage edges may burn.
- Plants require moderate to high fertility levels. For best foliage color and bloom, use a regular liquid feed.
- Maintain a pH of 5–6 to deter root fungus and promote the best uptake of nutrients.
- Space plants early in the production cycle to encourage compact growth and to prevent disease.
- Apply growth regulators as necessary to keep internodes short and tone the plants. Deadhead spent blooms to keep plants fresh, and cut back overgrown plants only if care is taken to avoid cutting into the woody portion of the lower stem. Early use of regulators will provide longest shelf life.
- In cool, wet weather, use a preventive fungicide for downy mildew and *Thielaviopsis*.
- The most common insect pests are leaf miner and aphids, but both are easily controlled if detected and treated early.

PLANT DATA

- Height: 18–24"/24"
- Spread: 24"
- Bloom time: May–Oct
- USDA Zone: 5(–20°)

APPROXIMATE FINISH TIMES

- 4" from 128-cell liner: 3–4 weeks from spring or summer transplant
- Gallon from 128-cell liner: 10–12 weeks from spring or summer transplant
- Gallon from 72-cell liner: 5–7 weeks from spring or summer transplant
- 2-gallon from 72-cell liner: 10–12 weeks from spring or summer transplant

PATENT INFORMATION

Asexual propagation prohibited
G. 'Frenzy': COPF, USPPP
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