



## Heavenly Bamboo, Fire Power

*Nandina domestica 'Fire Power'*

Height: 30 inches

Spread: 30 inches

Sunlight: ● ●

Hardiness Zone: 5b

Other Names: Nandina

### Description:

An extremely tight and compact version of the species which emerges reddish and retains hints of red in summer, but eventually turns fiery scarlet in fall; no flowers and fruit, but the long-season fall color is overwhelming

### Ornamental Features

Heavenly Bamboo, Fire Power has attractive bluish-green foliage edged in red which emerges burgundy in spring on a plant with a mounded habit of growth. The pointy bipinnately compound leaves are highly ornamental and turn an outstanding scarlet in the fall, which persists throughout the winter. The brick red stems can be quite attractive.

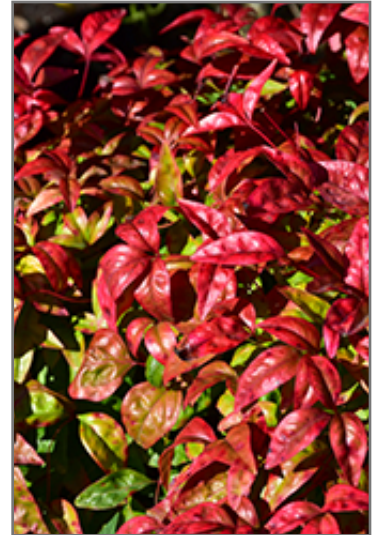
### Landscape Attributes

Heavenly Bamboo, Fire Power is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Suckering

Heavenly Bamboo, Fire Power is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Heavenly Bamboo, Fire Power in fall*  
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- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

### **Planting & Growing**

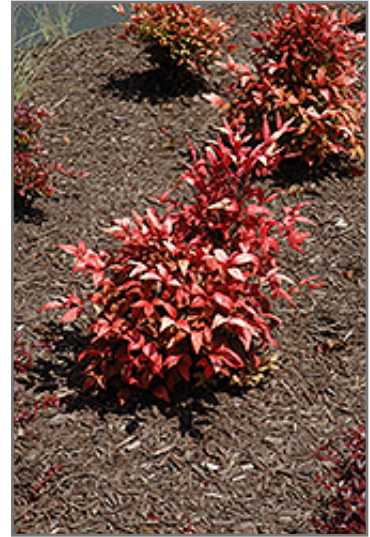
Heavenly Bamboo, Fire Power will grow to be about 30 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. It has a low canopy. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This shrub does best in partial shade to shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. This plant should be periodically fertilized throughout the active growing season with a specially-formulated acidic fertilizer. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Heavenly Bamboo, Fire Power makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.

### **Special Attributes**

Evergreens need to be watered during the winter. Our desert climate especially in late winter to early spring evergreens can suffer during next growing season. An easy way to remember check for dryness on the holidays Halloween, Thanksgiving, New Year's Day, Valentines Day & Easter.



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