



Santa Rosa County Cooperative Extension Teaching and Demonstration Gardens



Dwarf Nandina

Nandina domestica 'Compacta'

Nandina is a semi-evergreen plant species. 'Compacta' is a non-invasive cultivar that can reach 4 feet in height making it more manageable in smaller landscapes. New foliage in the spring has a light red tint, turning green in the summer before turning red to red-bronze in the fall and winter. All nandina species are highly tolerant of poor soil condition and quality as long as it's given adequate drainage and NOT SAND. When given at least mediocre care it's also highly pest and disease resistant. It is an ideal plant for rarely maintained landscapes.

Type: perennial shrub

USDA hardiness zones: 5 through 10

Uses: container or above-ground planter; mass planting;

ground cover; foundation; edging

Origin: not native to Florida

Height: 2 to 4 feet **Spread:** 1 to 3 feet

Plant spacing: 18 to 24 inches

Light requirement: full sun to part sun

Soil tolerances: alkaline; clay; sand; acidic; loam

Drought tolerance: moderate

Soil salt tolerances: poor

Invasive potential: not known to be invasive

Pest resistance: long-term health usually not

affected by pests

MORE INFORMATION



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