

Fairchild Explorer Program

Plant Propagation: Tropical Explorations



Option #1: *Megaskepasma erythrochlamys*-Brazilian Red-cloak
Native to: Venezuela

Plant care: Keep cutting in a well lit place and water 3 times a week to keep soil moist. After 4-6 weeks, roots will be well developed and the established plant may be placed in full sun in a bigger pot or in the ground. This shrub attains an average size of 2 x 2 meters. Flowers bloom year round and attract pollinators.



Option #2: *Orthosiphon stamineus*-Cat's Whiskers

Native to: East Asian tropics

Plant care: Keep cutting in a well lit place and water 3 times a week to keep soil moist. After 4-6 weeks, roots will be well developed and the established plant may be placed in full sun in a larger pot or in the ground. The blooms are white with long white stamens that look like whiskers. It attracts bees and butterflies and has several medicinal uses.



Option #3: *Justicia spicigera*-Mexican Honeysuckle

Native to: Central and South America

Plant care: Keep cutting in a well lit place and water 3 times a week to keep soil moist. After 4-6 weeks, roots will be well developed and the established plant may be placed in full sun in a bigger pot or in the ground. This shrub may reach an average size of 1.5 x 1.5 meters. Flowers bloom year round and attract pollinators such as butterflies, bees and birds.



Option #3: *Plectranthus amboinicus*-Tropical Oregano

Native to: Southern and Eastern Africa

Plant care: Keep cutting in a well lit place and water 2 to 3 times a week to keep soil moist. After 4-6 weeks, roots will be well developed and the established plant may be placed in part shade in a bigger pot or in the ground. It's leaves are tender and fleshy, and have many culinary and medicinal uses.

