

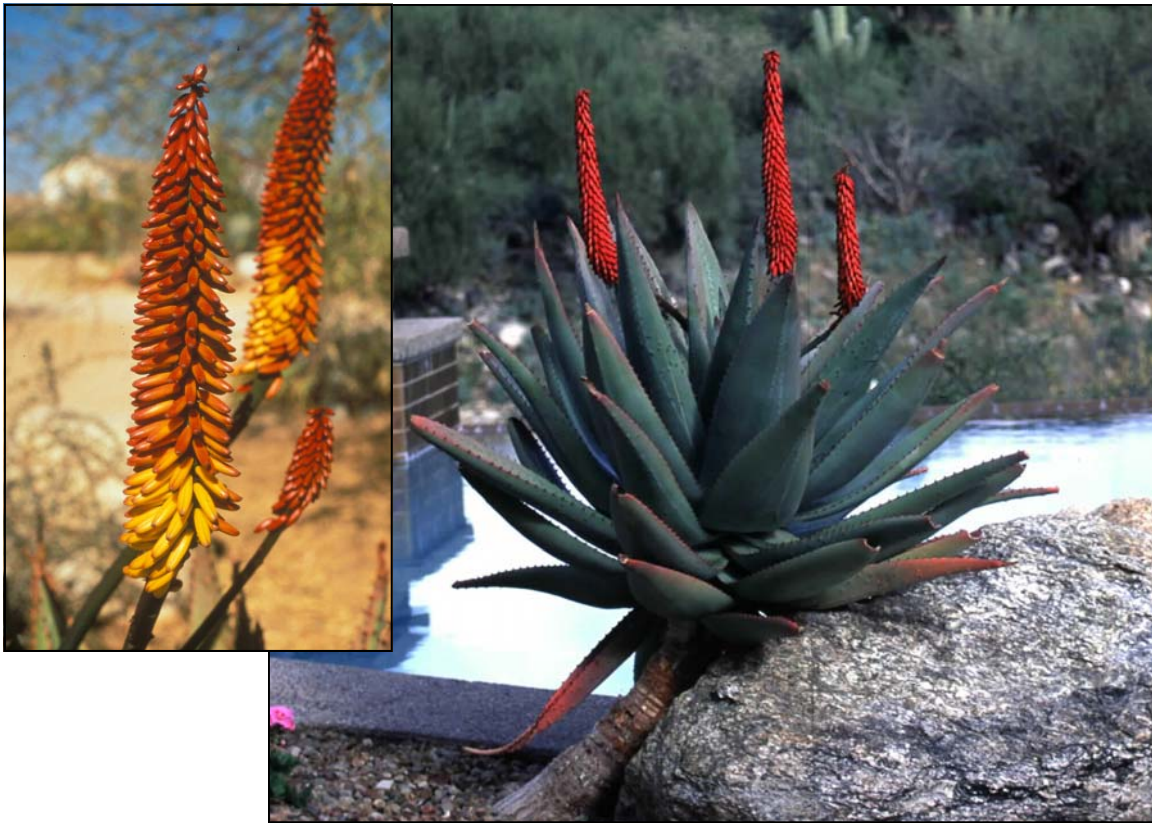


ALOE FEROX TREE ALOE, CAPE ALOE

Cape aloe makes a bold statement in any garden. A dense, 2-3 foot clump of muted green leaves is borne on a tall trunk, which can eventually reach a height of 12 feet. The thick, wide, fleshy leaves are edged with prominent reddish-brown teeth. As the plant ages, dried leaves persist on the trunk. These brown leaves offer protection from sunburn, but are sometimes removed for a neater appearance. In late winter to early spring, an imposing 3-foot-tall candelabra flower spike emerges, bearing long spikes of intense orange-red tubular flowers. Cape aloe can be planted in full sun to part shade, but suffers in reflected heat exposures in the low deserts. Plant in well-drained soil, and provide monthly irrigations. *Aloe ferox* is hardy to 25° F. USDA Zone 9.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY

SIZE (H X W)	12 feet x 5 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Orange - Red
FLOWER SEASON	Winter - Spring
EXPOSURE	Full Sun to Part Shade
WATER	Low
GROWTH RATE	Slow to Moderate
HARDINESS	25° F, USDA Zone 9
PRUNING	Remove flower stalk



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