



ALOE MARLOTHII

Aloe marlothii makes a bold statement in the garden. This South African native forms a dense, 5 to 6 foot clump of muted green leaves borne on a tall trunk. The trunk can eventually reach a height of 10 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 two-foot-tall candelabra flower spike emerges, bearing long spikes of intense orange-red tubular flowers. Aloe marlothii 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 marlothii is hardy to 25° F. USDA Zone 9.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY	
SIZE (H X W)	10 feet x 5-6 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Orange-red
FLOWER SEASON	Late Winter - Early-Spring
EXPOSURE	Full sun, part shade
WATER	Low
GROWTH RATE	Moderate
HARDINESS	25° F, USDA Zone 9
PRUNING	Remove spent bloom stalks

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