



VITIS CALIFORNICA 'ROGER'S RED' RED CALIFORNIA GRAPE

This woody deciduous vine was first noticed by Roger Raiche along the Russian River in northern California. Luckily, he noticed the plant in the fall, as it displayed an outstanding reddish color. The large rounded leaves begin to turn color as the temperatures cool. In Phoenix, the red display comes to a crescendo in mid-December. The flowers are small and fragrant, followed by small berry clusters ripening by late summer. The fruit is edible and tasty, and is a rare treat for birds and other wildlife. As with all grapes, this vine has a sprawling, climbing growth habit best suited for trellises. It handles full sun and has proven to be quite drought tolerant. Leaf skeletonizer caterpillars can be a problem, but are easily controlled.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY

SIZE (H X W)	30-40 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Inconspicuous, but followed by edible fruit
FRUIT SEASON	Summer
EXPOSURE	Full sun
WATER	Moderate
GROWTH RATE	Fast
HARDINESS	0° F, USDA Zone 7
PRUNING	Occasional summer trimming



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