

## *Van Zyverden's* **POPPIES RED**



Oriental poppies (*Papaver*) are long used by gardeners in a range of landscape situations. Planting poppies is simple and rewarding when their blooms appear. The clumps will become larger each year but will never be invasive. They can be forced indoors with special treatment. They also make for stunning cut flowers, but you will have to sear the ends of freshly cut stems with a match. As they have appeared on ravaged battlefields, they have come to symbolize death and rebirth.

*Value choice*

*Prolific flowers*

*Large showy blooms*

*About This Variety:* The red poppy symbolizes fallen warriors and commemorates Veteran's Day in the United States. It is often known by the common name Flanders Poppy. This red beauty creates a carpet of color when massed.

*Growing Instructions:* Oriental poppies grow well in poor to average soil; however, soggy ground should be avoided as they hate wet feet. They prefer the cooler temperatures of spring and fall. After flowering, allow the poppies to die back during the summer heat, as excess watering will kill them.

*Care Tip:* Do not disturb after established as one is likely to lose a blooming season. They are best divided and replanted in fall if one must move them. Winter protection in zones 3 -6 may be necessary which can be done after a light freeze, with mulch, pine needles or some other loose material.

*Exposure:* Full sun

*Height:* Grows 18-24" tall

*Spacing:* Plant 12-28" apart,

*Hardy in:* USDA zones 3-8

Guaranteed to grow 1 year from purchase if directions are followed. Any concerns related to quality and/or counts feel free to contact us.

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