## TARA VALLEY FACT SHEET

## Passionstwit Panama Red



Passionfruit is a much-loved Aussie favourite that no garden should be without. Nurture a slice of the tropics in your own backyard with Panama Red. This passionfruit vine offers lush green foliage, eyecatching flowers and an abundance of red-skinned fruit. The large juicy fruit is sweeter than other traditional varieties and emits a tempting fragrance. The fruit is usually available six months after planting and will continue to thrive throughout the year. Panama Red is best suited to warmer climates and requires a sunny position, close to an upright structure such as a trellis or stake.

Genus: Passiflora Species: flavicarpa

**Growing:** Prefers full sun in a warm, protected position. Needs a minimum of 7 hours of full sun per day during summer. Fast growing in spring and summer, spreads to 2-3m on each side of plant.

Soil: Well-drained fertile soil.

**Water:** Requires good watering. Keep soil moist but not wet.

Fruit, Foliage & Flowering Features: A hardy, vigorous evergreen vine with large glossy tri lobed leaves and showy flowers that appear in spring and summer. Abundant provider of large red-skinned fruit, cropping very heavily from autumn through to spring.





Culinary Uses

**Origin:** Brazil

**Uses:** Panama Red requires a strong structure to climb over, such as a fence, water tank, trellis or carport. This ornamental vine will enhance a drab outlook instantly and produces plenty of fruit with seed filled pulp. Pick fruit at full colour and eat fresh or add to beverages and an assortment of recipes.

**Maintenance:** Train young vines up a strong support. Remove dead foliage and cut back any side shoots that touch the ground. Responds to regular fertilising in spring and summer.







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