



Botanical Name	<i>Ixora coccinea</i>
Common Name	Shady Lady
Mature Size	3'x3'
Bloom Color	White
Bloom Period	Summer to Early Fall
Boom Form	Star Shaped Clusters
Water	Moderate
Light	Best in light shade
USDA Zone	10 & South
Fragrance	None
Uses	Hedge, Accent, Specimen, Potted
Special Features	EZ to Grow



Ixoras are attractive medium sized tropical shrubs that repeat bloom almost year round in tropical climates. The most common colors are shades of pink, reds, yellows, and oranges.

'***Shady Lady***' is unique shade loving white cultivar was bred on site here and is not available elsewhere, and has some very special features.

The growth habit is dense and tight, maturing at about 3 feet tall. It has medium sized large, glossy, elongated leaves. This *ixora* blooms somewhat later in the summer than other cultivars and will bloom reliably in moderate shade. It requires protection from the cold and will defoliate if exposed to temps in the mid to upper 30°s. Temps below 32° F will likely cause fatal injury.

The flowers are large 4 to 6 inch clusters of cream white florets, that open slowly from pale barely blushed pink buds and last for weeks.

For the best results:

Direct planting of 4 inch starter size plants is not recommended, so for the best results with your new plant, we recommend it be repotted and allowed to grow larger before setting out in the landscape within the recommended USDA Zone range.

When the new pot has filled with roots and the plant is larger, then here a few hints for successful growing in the landscape. can be grown as a potted plant indefinitely.

- Plant in well draining, fertile, slightly acid soil
- Pick a location with moderate shade.
- Ideal location has dappled, filtered light
- Dead head and prune lightly for shape after flowering
- Feed 2x yearly with a good quality slow release acid fertilize
- May be grown potted indefinitely
- Protect from frost and freeze

Ixoras prefer a soil rich in organics and slightly acidic in ph. They will grow in other higher ph soils, but generally need iron supplementation through foliar feeding to hold their leaf color. The flowers produce a rich nectar that is attractive to butterflies.

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Care of Your New Ixora Plant

Here are a few basic guidelines for handling and caring for your new Ixora plant:

Direct planting of 4 inch starter size plants directly into the landscape is not recommended. So, for the best results with your new plant we suggest that it be repotted into a larger pot and allowed to grow larger until the new pot is filled with roots before setting out.

- Immediately unpack, remove the wrappings and shipping gel and discard the gell.
- Re-pot the new plant into a 6 inch to 10 inch diameter pot that can drain easily and thoroughly.
- Use a good quality commercial potting media.
- Apply a high quality, slow release plant food according to the label directions. A product formulated for acid loving plants is preferable. Do not use hot, all chemical fertilizes like 6-6-6 or 10-10-10.
- Locate so that the plant can receive direct, full spectrum light for several hours daily, but is protected from hot, direct afternoon sun.
- Maintain consistent and uniform moisture in the soil. Take care not to over water.
- Packing crystals may be reused to conserve water, but do so with caution as they hold 6000 times their weight in water.
- If reusing the crystals, mix and incorporate them thoroughly throughout the potting media.
- Be sure the pot can drain and that the bottom of the pot does not sit submerged in water for more than a day.
- Supplement feed with a water soluble plant food (such as Miracle Grow) every 2-3 weeks according to the label directions.
- Prune or pinch lightly and often when the plant is young and actively growing to strengthen the central stalk and encourage branching and build uniform shape.
- Monitor for signs of disease or insects and treat accordingly.
- Protect from frost and freeze until well established.

Ixoras can be grown as potted plants indefinitely. They can be acclimated to grow indoors year round, but will generally require supplemental lighting to produce flowers. Thin spindled growth and failure to flower, are generally caused by insufficient light levels.

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