

# *Plant "Imagination"*



*Aralia cordata 'Sun King'*

A lovely larger counterpart to traditional shade plants like Hosta, this Golden Japanese Spikenard thrills with bright red stems and gold compound leaves. These colors hold true all season, only "greening out" if the shade is too deep. Later in the season small white flowers grow in racemes, attracting pollinators, and then setting dark berries. Perfect for the back of any partly shaded border!

Aralias generally self-sow, growing seedlings wherever berries fall. This makes them easy to naturalize and cover large areas, filling out shady woodland areas beautifully over time. Promptly weed out any seedlings you do not want, and space the remaining ones

**about 5 feet apart to give them plenty of room to grow. 'Sun King' grows vigorously, swiftly reaching its mature size of 3 to 6 feet High and Wide.**

**An invaluable herbaceous perennial for shady spots, 'Sun King' boasts statuesque foliage, with huge tripinnately compound leaves, each leaflet held out in crisp contrast. In midsummer the white blooms go off like fireworks, creating a spectacle that attracts plenty of pollinators like honeybees. This is followed by masses of beautiful purple berries that birds (especially thrushes) love to snack on!**

**Plant 'Sun King' in part shade and moist, well-drained soil. It is sure to become a fixture of your shady or wooded garden! 1 Quart Container. Zones 3 to 9.**