

Makaalwyn (*Aloe striata*)



Aloe striata, with the common name coral aloe, is a small, stemless South African Aloe species.

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Price

Sales price R 45,00

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South African Aloe: Makaalwyn (*Aloe striata*)

Description

Distribution

This species occurs quite widely over the southern parts of the Cape Floristic Region, in the Eastern Cape Province and Western Cape Province of South Africa.

It is found on rocky slopes in coastal and karoo areas.

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The Coral aloe's species name, "*striata*", means "stripes", and refers to the long lines (sometimes very faint) on its blue-green leaves. The leaves of this Aloe are not toothed, but have a smooth pink margin.

Due to the similarity of their species names, *Aloe striata* is sometimes confused in literature with *Aloiampelos striatula* (syn. *Aloe striatula*, hardy aloe) — a very different plant, found in the highlands of the Eastern Cape.

Taxonomy

The Coral Aloe forms part of the *Paniculatae* series of very closely related *Aloe* species, together with *Aloe reynoldsii*.

This species is often confused with its close relative, *Aloe reynoldsii*, and they do look very similar. However the Coral aloe has smooth leaf margins and red flowers; while *Aloe reynoldsii* has waxy, toothed leaf margins and yellow flowers.

Cultivation

Aloe striata is cultivated as a popular ornamental plant, for use in succulent and drought tolerant gardens, and in container plantings.

- *Aloe striata* x *maculata* (synonym *Aloe saponaria*) — a hybrid between *Aloe striata* and *Aloe maculata*, is a popular garden plant.
- *Aloe striata* ssp. *karasbergensis* — Karasburg Coral Aloe, also cultivated as an ornamental plant.

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Reviews

There are yet no reviews for this product.