

# Lace aloe

## Aristaloe

### Asphodelaceae



Aristaloe is a genus of evergreen flowering perennial plants in the family Asphodelaceae from Southern Africa. Its sole species is *Aristaloe aristata*, known as guinea-fowl aloe or lace aloe.

*Aristaloe aristata* is a small compact evergreen perennial from the Asphodelaceae family. This dwarf succulent plant produces fleshy lance-shaped leaves covered in small white spots and tipped with soft white spines. Commonly known by the names Lace Aloe and Torch Plant, this plant was previously placed in the Aloe genus and known as *Aloe aristata*. It forms rosettes measuring around 10cm in height and 30cm in diameter. The striking, nectar-rich, tubular red-orange flowers are borne on stems up to 60cm tall, the blooms can attract birds, bees, and wasps. This species is planted worldwide as a garden specimen and as a houseplant in temperate climates. It is drought-resistant. Ingestion may cause severe discomfort.

