

Iresine herbstii

(Bloodleaf, Beefsteak Plant)

Bloodleaf plant is a colored shrub, that can be dark purple, red, dark green with purple contrasting veins. It can be used in the landscape as an accent plant because of it showy foliage.

This plant do well in areas whith full sun, and when planted in a moist well drained soil. Since it's a short-lived perinnial, it can be planted in containers as annuals , or indoor as it tolerate partial shade.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: herbe aux sorciers

Pronunciation: ir-es-EYE-nee HAIRBS-tee-eye

Plant Type: Shrub

Origin: Brazil

Heat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15

Hardiness Zones: 9, 10, 11, 12, 13

Uses: Border Plant, Indoor, Container, Ground cover

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Fast

Tree Shape: Round, oval

Canopy Symmetry: Symmetrical

Canopy Density: Dense

Height at Maturity: 0.5 to 1 m, 1 to 1.5 m

Spread at Maturity: 0.5 to 1 meter

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

- Leaf Arrangement: Opposite
- Leaf Venation: Brachidodrome
- Leaf Persistence: Evergreen
- Leaf Blade: Less than 5
- Leaf Shape: Lanceolate
- Leaf Margins: Revolute
- Leaf Textures: Medium
- Leaf Scent: No Fragrance
- Color(growing season): Green, Red, Purple, Variegated
- Color(changing season): Green, Red, Purple

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes

Heat Tolerant: Yes

Drought Tolerant: No

Salt Tolerance: Moderate

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Loam

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full, Part

Management

Toxity: No

Invasive Potential: No

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Life Span: Less than 25

Diseases: Powdery Mildew

Edible Parts: None

Pests: Mites, Aphids

Plant Propagations: Seed, Cutting

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