

Acalypha wilkesiana, Copperleaf - Plant



A semi-evergreen shrub that comes with colourful blends of copper, green, pink, yellow, orange and cream.

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5 inch Grower Round Plastic Pot (Black)

Description for *Acalypha wilkesiana*, Copperleaf

Plant height: 5 - 9 inches

Plant spread: 3 - 5 inches

This spreading shrub is native to South Pacific islands. Typically grown as an annual or house plant.

It is grown for its multi-coloured, toothed, oval leaves. Use it as a house plant or as an annual or container plant outdoors where it is not hardy. Flowers are small, green or pinkish.

Evergreen plants grown for their decorative foliage and sometimes unusual-looking flowers.

Outdoors, plant in fertile, moist but well-drained soil that is rich in organic matter, in sun or part shade. Indoors, grow in a soilless mix in full or filtered light. Water freely and fertilize monthly during the growing season, but water only moderately in winter.

Common name(s): *Acalypha*, copper leaf plant

Flower colours: Red

Bloom time: April to November

Max reachable height: 6-10 feet.

Difficulty to grow: Easy.

Planting and care

The most important thing in growing copper leaf plants is the location. The best place to grow the plant is in full sun, although it can survive in half sun or partially shaded areas.

Direct sunlight, however, makes the leaves more brightly coloured. This is why it's advisable to place it near windows or areas with plenty of sunlight if growing indoors, with temperatures above 55 F. (13 C.), to ensure their foliage gets a healthy blend of colours.

Sunlight: Bright-light not necessarily direct sunlight.

Soil: A well-drained potting mix.

Water: *Acalypha* like a regular supply of water, even during the winter months.

Temperature: Above 55 F. (13 C.) Warm temperatures more than 60°F.

Fertilizer: *Acalypha* appreciate regular doses of fertilizer throughout the growing season. Liquid is best, but they will also thrive with a controlled-release fertilizer. Reduce fertilization in winters or stop.

Caring for *Acalypha wilkesiana*

They do best with a high humidity level, so if your house is dry, you will want to regularly mist your plant or keep it in a tray of pebbles.

Pruning is also a good part of copper leaf plant care, as it helps control the shrubs size and shape while removing diseased or damaged branches.

Ensure the pot is twice the size of the plant's root ball. Mixing the soil with a slow-release fertilizer supplies the nutrients the Acalypha copper plant needs to grow well. Put the pot or container in a sunny or partially shaded location if growing it outdoors, or near a window with bright light inside. Adding fertilizer every three months helps the soil retain its nutrients.

Harvesting

April to November

Typical uses of Acalypha wilkesiana

Special features: Acalypha is annuals or perennial herbs, shrubs, and small trees. a semi-evergreen shrub that comes with colourful blends of copper, green, pink, yellow, orange and cream
Copper Leaf Plant Care: How To Grow Acalypha Copper Leaf Plants

Culinary use: NA

Ornamental use: It is used as the ornamental plant.

Medicinal use: NA

References

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Reviews

Wednesday, 30 August 2017

Very nice plant ...n very neatly packed

SAMSUDEEN

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