

SPECIES Acalypha wilkesiana 'Tricolor'

COMMON NAME Copperleaf, Firedragon, Jacob's coat, Match-me-if-you-can

ORIGIN South Pacific Islands

DESIGN USE Outdoor foliage plant used as hedge and specimen



HEIGHT

3 ft. to 6 ft.

SPREAD

3 ft. to 6 ft.

HABIT

Spreading evergreen shrub

FORM

A spreading shrub with upright branches that tend to originate near the base. Wide russet leaves are splashed with bronze-red and copper.

FLOWERS

The flowers are small and inconspicuous, hanging in 4-8 in (10.2-20.3 cm) catkin-like racemes usually hidden in the foliage.

FLOWERING PERIOD

Summer

CLIMATIC TOLERANCES

Does fine in partial shade or sun. It is partially tolerant to frost.

HORTICULTURE

It prefers a position sheltered from strong winds, and a fertile, organic soil.

REFERENCES

http://www.finegardening.com/plantguide/acalypha-wilkesiana-tricolor-copperleaf.aspx

