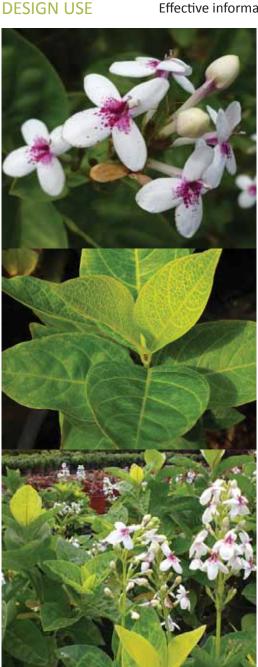


SPECIES COMMON NAME ORIGIN

Pseuderanthemum carruthersii Pseuderanthemum, El Dorado

Probably Melanesia, New Caledonia and the New Hebrides (Vanuatu)

Effective informal hedges



HEIGHT

1-3m

SPREAD

0.6-1.5m

HABIT

Upright, semi-woody shrubs

FLOWERS

Terminal panicles, white or pink with purple spots.

FLOWERING PERIOD

Most of the year

VARIATIONS

var caruthersii cv "Burgundy Black" (smaller, rosey-pink spotty flowers, and broad, solid burgundy leaves, greener in deep shade) var caruthersii cv "Tricolor" (smaller and more variegated) var Reticulatum (yellow tip growth, and veins in young leaves, the oldest plain green)

HORTICULTURE

Prefers fertile, moist well-drained soils and tolerate shade, but full sun and regular tip pruning enhance bushy growth and richer leaf colour. Ample watering and partial shade are recommended in hot, arid climates.

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