

Botanical Name: Chorizema cordatum

Common Name: Heart-leaf flame pea

Type of Plant: dicot: perennial Family Fabaceae

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape spawling, spreading upright perennial/shrub with slender,
arching branches

Height to 4 ft. Spread to 4 ft. Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun to partial shade

Soil prefers a well-drained soil

Hardiness hardy (zones 15-17, 19-24)

Morphology:

Leaves orbiculate to cordate; sessile on stems; sometimes notched
with fine teeth along margins; to 3/4" long

Flowers sweet-pea like flowers with bright orange-red upper petal
and scarlet-red lower petals; to 1/2" across, very showy

Fruit ovoid small legume fruit

Propagation: semi-hardwood cuttings, seed

Usage: good spilling over banks or in containers; small specimen
plant for drought-tolerant landscapes; used for bight flower display in spring

Landscape Care:

Watering takes moderate watering, can tolerate brief drought once
established

Fertilizing slow-release in spring

Pruning pinch back after blooming; cut back hard if overgrown

Pests/Diseases none significant

Other

Origin: Australia