

Botanical Name: Houttuynia cordata 'Chameleon'

Common Name: No Common Name

Type of Plant: dicot: perennial Family Saururaceae

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape Deciduous, low spreading perennial with multicolored (pink, cream and green) foliage which resembles English ivy

Height to 1 ft. Spread to 3 ft. Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors sun or part shade (foliage color is best in full sun)

Soil prefers good drainage

Hardiness Hardy; Zones 2-9, 14-24

Morphology:

Leaves Ovate, 2-3" long, cordate, palmate, variegated with reddish margins, turning cream, then green toward the center

Flowers Tiny spike to 1" long with 4 white bracts, each 1/2" wide; flowers are held close to foliage

Fruit small capsule

Propagation: division or seed

Usage: spreading groundcover or container plant; appreciated for colored foliage and white flowers, makes a solid groundcover in wet areas, but can be aggressive

Landscape Care:

Watering need regular watering; does well in wet conditions

Fertilizing balanced fertilizer in the spring

Pruning control spread

Pests/Diseases snails and slugs

Other

Origin: China and Japan