

CHAMELEON PLANT *HOUTTUYNIA CORDATA*

PLANT CHARACTERISTICS

Size

0.75 – 1.5' high, 1 - 2' wide

Sun/Shade

Full Sun to Part Shade

Water

Medium to Wet

Maintenance

Medium

Life Span

Perennial, Zones 4-10



Description

Houttuynia cordata, also known as a Chameleon plant, Fish mint and Rainbow plant is an easy growing but invasively spreading perennial that thrives best in full sun and moist climates. It can tolerate standing water up to 2" above its crown. It has heart-shaped, tri-colored leaves of dark blue-green, yellow and red edges. Tiny blooms of greenish-white appear in May and June. It spreads rapidly by rhizomes and should be restricted with barriers if spread is unwanted. When planted in water gardens, using containers will help avoid the spread. It is also an attractive addition to rain gardens and as a boggy ground cover. It has no serious insect or disease problems.

Source: [Missouri Botanical Garden](https://www.mobot.org)



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