

# Little Ruby Joseph's Coat



## *Alternanthera 'Little Ruby'*

- **Use:** Joseph's Coat is sometimes confused in the nursery trade because it goes by several common names including Parrot Leaf, Red Alternanthera or Red Calico Plant is also called Joseph's Coat. Landscapers call the plant Red Alternanthera to avoid the common name confusion.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Plant in full sun to partial sun. Use slow release or water soluble fertilizer. Keep soil moist watering under leaves and flowers for best results.
- **Growth:** Growing just 4 to 8 inches tall, it's a favorite plant for use in formal knot gardens or as edging to define plant beds.
- **Hardiness:** 9-11 Annual, Houseplant
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Leaves are opposite, ½ to 1 inch long and linear in shape. Stems as well as leaves are bright red. Pinch back tips occasionally for a super bushy plant.
- **Flower:** Not known for flowers, but they are small and white.