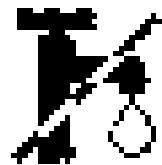


# Ruby Necklace Basket



**This species is particularly well-suited to hanging baskets where the dense trailing foliage can cascade over the sides.**



## *Othonna (Senecio) capensis 'Ruby Necklace'*

- **Use:** An eye-catcher of a trailing variety with pudgy, bean-shaped leaves that hang on stems up to 2.0' long. The whole plant can flush a striking shade of magenta when moderately stressed by direct sun, drought, or cool temperatures (around 50F). It grows fine, white tufts of fuzz in the crevices between stems and leaves (don't worry, it's not mealybug!).
- **Exposure/Soil:** To prevent rot, use well-draining pots and soil and only water when the soil is dry. Keep the soil even drier during winter dormancy. To grow a lush, full cascade of ruby red beans, regularly prune the stems and replant the cuttings back in the same pot. Make sure that all parts of the trailing mass get sunlight and, if possible, move the plant outdoors to a covered porch or patio each summer.
- **Growth:** Grows 2-3" tall and trails down about 2'. Spreads more over time, but not invasive.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 10-12; Houseplant/ Annual. Bring indoors below 50 degrees.
- **Foliage:** True to its name, its bean-shaped leaves turn a bright ruby red when the plant is under stress. **Keep away from pets.**
- **Flower:** It produces small, yellow, daisy-like blooms in summer mainly, but could be year round under the correct conditions.

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