

# FABULOUS FOLIAGE

## MUKDENIA ROSSI (MUKDENIA)

### CULTIVAR - KARASUBA (CRIMSON FANS)

#### FOLIAGE

Thickly textured, glossy green foliage. Leaves are rounded, palmate lobed and fan-shaped – up to five inches across. Emerge bright green in the spring; but beginning in summer, the dark green leaves develop red tones that creep inward from the edges. Fire red fall colour. The foliage forms a low, spreading mound.

#### FLOWERS

Delicate panicles of starry white flowers in spring; held well above the foliage.

#### HARDINESS ZONE

4 to 9.

#### LIGHT REQUIREMENTS

Best grown in part shade. In more dense shade, the attractive red fall colour will not be as intense. Tolerates full sun, but if grown in full sun, consistent moisture is important.

#### SIZE

Height: 10-20 in. (20-40 cm); Width: 1-2 feet (30-60 cm).

#### GROWTH RATE

Slow grower, spreads over time by short creeping rhizomes. Plants may self-seed in optimum growing conditions. Can be dug and divided in spring; best done just before the leaf buds expand.

#### WATER / SOIL REQUIREMENT

Moist, fertile, well-drained soils. Average pH.

#### PESTS

Generally pest free but some susceptibility to slug damage.

#### PLACEMENT

Ground cover for shady areas. Woodland gardens. A good border plant in perennial beds.



#### Sources

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#### Images

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