

'Mesbicla', Mezo™ Trailing Red - *Mesembryanthemum cordifolium*

Other Common Names: Variegated Mezo™ Trailing Red, Heartleaf Iceplant, Baby-sun rose, Livingstone Daisy



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LIVINGSTONE DAISY or VARIEGATED MEZOO TRAILING RED

Dorotheanthus bellidiformis

Frost Tender Annual Succulent Trailing Ground Cover



Light: Full Sun

4-9" Tall x 12" Wide



Water: Low-Medium, Drought Tolerant

Color: Small Red, daisy-like flowers

Variegated white-edged leaves

Blooms: Spring-Summer

Self-seeds easily; Overwinter or protect; Not frost hardy;

Grown by a Denton County Master Gardener

General Information

Tender perennial native to South Africa. Typically grown as an annual but can be overwintered indoors. Drought, heat tolerant, and low maintenance. Used for hanging baskets, ground cover, edges, and containers for the 'spiller.' Sometimes called Iceplant because of the tiny, clear, bead-shaped nodules (papillae) that give the appearance of being covered with ice crystals.

Characteristics

Hardiness Zones: 9-10

Size: 12" w x 4-9" h

Flowers: Small, red, daisy-like

Bloom Time: Spring-Summer

Leaves: Variegated white-edged succulent leaves

Growth Habit/Shape: Trailing

Dormancy: Annual

Soil Requirements: Thrives in poor sandy soil with some grit, well-draining

Propagation: Self-seeds easily, seeds germinate in 12-24 days, cuttings can be rooted in water or put directly in soil.

Indoor/Outdoor: Outdoor; overwintered indoors

Pests and Diseases

No serious insect or disease problems.

Plant Care

Overwatering causes fungus and root rot which attracts aphids, but do not allow to dry out completely. Deadhead flowers and trim older leaves

Sources for Additional Information

Cornell University

<http://www.hort.cornell.edu/bglannuals/2008/DorotheanthusMezooTrailingRed.htm>

Missouri Botanical Garden

<https://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/PlantFinderDetails.aspx?taxonid=456559&isprofile=1&dv=trailing&pt=8>