# Stained Glassworks™ Le Freak Coleus

***Solenostemon scutellarioides 'Le Freak'***



*Stained Glassworks Le Freak Coleus foliage*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 16 inches

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Stained Glassworks Series

**Description:**

A beautiful shade loving variety that produces stunning deep red lance shaped leaves with deep golden edges; superb performance in hanging baskets, patio containers and garden beds; foliage keeps color all season long; low maintenance and fast growing

**Ornamental Features**

Stained Glassworks Le Freak Coleus' attractive serrated pointy leaves remain dark red in color with distinctive gold edges throughout the season on a plant with a mounded habit of growth.

**Landscape Attributes**

Stained Glassworks Le Freak Coleus is an herbaceous annual with a mounded form. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant. The flowers of this plant may actually detract from its ornamental features, so they can be removed as they appear. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Stained Glassworks Le Freak Coleus is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

**Planting & Growing**

Stained Glassworks Le Freak Coleus will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 16 inches apart. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year.

This plant does best in partial shade to shade. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth, but will die in standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone over the growing season to conserve soil moisture. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Stained Glassworks Le Freak Coleus is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.