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## Kochia Scoparia

The attraction of this shrub is the foliage. Upright, rounded and bushy, this temporary shrub has dense, finely textured light green 2-3 inch leaves in summer turning to brilliant red in fall. An outstanding background for beds and borders. Height 3 feet.

Start seed inside 6-8 weeks before planting out. Soak seed for 24 hours and then surface sow, do not cover and provide a soil temperature of 21-24°C (70-75°F). Watch out for damping off, keep growing medium on the dry side. May also be direct sowed 1-2 weeks before the last frost. Transplant around last frost date, 18-24" apart. If you are planting a hedge, space them 12" apart. Kochia prefers full sun and warm conditions. Will often self-seed.

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