White Fountain Weeping Cherry

Prunus 'White Fountain'



White Fountain Weeping Cherry flowers
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Height: 10 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 5

Other Names: syn. Snow Fountain Weeping Cherry

Description:

A breathtaking garden accent shrub with an abundance of snowy white flowers in early spring on a gracefully weeping and arching plant; merits use as a solitary where it can be appreciated, requires some training; needs full sun and well-drained soil

Ornamental Features

White Fountain Weeping Cherry is draped in stunning clusters of fragrant white flowers along the branches in early spring, which emerge from distinctive shell pink flower buds before the leaves. It has forest green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves turn an outstanding gold in the fall. The fruits are showy black drupes displayed in early fall. The smooth dark red bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

White Fountain Weeping Cherry is a deciduous tree with a strong central leader and a rounded form and gracefully weeping branches. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This tree will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It has no significant negative characteristics.

White Fountain Weeping Cherry is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

White Fountain Weeping Cherry will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. 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, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.