Bronze King Corokia

Corokia x virgata 'Bronze King'



Bronze King Corokia foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 7

Other Names: Variegated Wire Bush

Description:

These sculptural plants are best appreciated in their own space so the intricate branching can be appreciated, but can be pruned into low hedges; the downy felt, tangled stems, and small bronzy variegated leaves are all a defence against a windy climate

Ornamental Features

Bronze King Corokia is smothered in stunning clusters of fragrant yellow star-shaped flowers along the branches in mid spring. It features an abundance of magnificent red berries in early fall. It has coppery-bronze-variegated grayish green foliage. The fuzzy oval leaves remain grayish green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Bronze King Corokia is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Bronze King Corokia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens

Planting & Growing

Bronze King Corokia will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for xeriscaping or the moisture-conserving landscape. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.