Wintercreeper

Euonymus fortunei



Wintercreeper
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Height: 24 inches

Spread: 12 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Wintercreeper Euonymus

Description:

A spreading, sprawling broadleaf evergreen vine for almost any screening or coverage application, certainly one of the best; numerous and varied varieties are available

Ornamental Features

Wintercreeper has rich green evergreen foliage on a plant with a spreading habit of growth. The glossy oval leaves remain green throughout the winter. It produces pink capsules from mid to late fall.

Landscape Attributes

Wintercreeper is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and can be pruned at anytime. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Wintercreeper is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover

Planting & Growing

Wintercreeper will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This shrub performs well in both full sun and full shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. 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 species is not originally from North America.