Bill Wallace Fringeflower

Loropetalum chinense 'Bill Wallace'



Bill Wallace Fringeflower
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 6

Other Names: Chinese Fringe Flower, Chinese Witch Hazel

Description:

Eye-catching hot-pink colored fringed flowers are heaviest in spring on this very low, spreading variety, but repeat throughout the year, foliage emerges reddish, and matures to deep burgundy; a colorful groundcover, or great spilling over walls

Ornamental Features

Bill Wallace Fringeflower features showy fragrant hot pink spider-like flowers held atop the branches in early spring. It has attractive burgundy evergreen foliage which emerges dark red in spring. The small oval leaves are highly ornamental and remain burgundy throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Bill Wallace Fringeflower 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 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.

Bill Wallace Fringeflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Bill Wallace Fringeflower will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It has a low canopy. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. 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 particular about its soil conditions, with a strong preference for rich, acidic soils. 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Bill Wallace Fringeflower makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.