Orange Encore Witchhazel

Hamamelis x intermedia 'Orange Encore'

Height: 12 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Witch Hazel

Description:

When it comes to heralding the end of winter, it doesn't get much better than this fine shrub, with its softly fragrant richly orange-gold strap-like flowers held along the branches on an upright form, spectacular fall color as well

Ornamental Features

Orange Encore Witchhazel is covered in stunning fragrant orange strap-like flowers with red calyces along the branches from late winter to early spring before the leaves. It has green deciduous foliage. The serrated round leaves turn an outstanding yellow in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Orange Encore Witchhazel is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. 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 shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Suckering



Orange Encore Witchhazel flowers
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Orange Encore Witchhazel in bloom
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Orange Encore Witchhazel is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Orange Encore Witchhazel will grow to be about 12 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 2 feet 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 shrub performs well in both full sun and full shade. It is quite adaptable, prefering to grow in average to wet conditions, and will even tolerate some standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for acidic soils, and is subject to chlorosis (yellowing) of the foliage in alkaline soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.