Linebacker™ Evergreen Distylium

Distylium 'PIIDIST-IV'



Linebacker Evergreen Distylium foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 10 feet

Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 6

Other Names: Evergreen Witch Hazel, Witchhazel

Description:

An attractive evergreen plant with emerging reddish-copper foliage that matures to a glossy deep green; in late winter to early spring, small reddish-maroon flowers emerge along the older branches; very elegant when massed together or as an accent shrub

Ornamental Features

Linebacker Evergreen Distylium is clothed in stunning panicles of burgundy spider-like flowers along the branches from late winter to mid spring. It has attractive dark green evergreen foliage which emerges brick red in spring. The glossy oval leaves are highly ornamental and remain dark green throughout the winter.



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Landscape Attributes

Linebacker Evergreen Distylium is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a stunning habit of growth which features almost oriental horizontally-tiered 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 is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and usually looks its best without pruning, although it will tolerate pruning. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Linebacker Evergreen Distylium is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Linebacker Evergreen Distylium will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 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 50 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. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.