# Emerald Heights Evergreen Distylium

***Distylium 'Emerald Heights'***

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 6

Other Names: Evergreen Witch Hazel, Witchhazel

**Description:**

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

**Ornamental Features**

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

**Landscape Attributes**

Emerald Heights 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.

Emerald Heights Evergreen Distylium is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Emerald Heights Evergreen Distylium foliage*
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- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



*Emerald Heights Evergreen Distylium flowers*
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**Planting & Growing**

Emerald Heights Evergreen Distylium will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 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.