Green Shadow Variegated Nepal Holly

Ilex integra 'Green Shadow'

Height: 15 feet

Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 6

Other Names: Mochi Tree, Mochi Holly

Description:

A handsome, vigorously upright growing shrub producing green, glossy oval foliage edged in creamy white, with splashes of gray-green; a great garden or landscape accent

Ornamental Features

Green Shadow Variegated Nepal Holly has attractive forest green foliage edged in creamy white with hints of grayish green on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth. The glossy oval leaves are highly ornamental and remain forest green throughout the winter. It produces red berries from late fall to mid winter.

Landscape Attributes

Green Shadow Variegated Nepal Holly is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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 is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting birds and bees to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Green Shadow Variegated Nepal Holly is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens



Green Shadow Variegated Nepal Holly foliage
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Planting & Growing

Green Shadow Variegated Nepal Holly will grow to be about 15 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 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 fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more. This variety requires a different selection of the same species growing nearby in order to set fruit.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in moist to wet soil, and will even tolerate some 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 quite intolerant of urban pollution, therefore inner city or urban streetside plantings are best avoided, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. 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.