Zhuzhou Fuchsia Chinese Fringeflower

Loropetalum chinense 'Zhuzhou Fuchsia'

Height: 12 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 7

Other Names: Chinese Fringe Flower, Chinese Witch Hazel



Zhuzhou Fuchsia Chinese Fringeflower flowers
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Zhuzhou Fuchsia Chinese Fringeflower in bloom
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Description:

A delighful spring-blooming shrub with stunning deep pink flowers smothering the plant; blackish-maroon foliage maintains its color even in summer heat; an easy to grow and well-behaved shrub for general garden use

Ornamental Features

Zhuzhou Fuchsia Chinese Fringeflower is draped in stunning fragrant fuchsia strap-like flowers along the branches in early spring. It has attractive brown-variegated grayish green foliage which emerges burgundy in spring. The oval leaves are highly ornamental and turn burgundy in the fall, which persists throughout the winter. The peeling brown bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Zhuzhou Fuchsia Chinese Fringeflower is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading 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.

Zhuzhou Fuchsia Chinese Fringeflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Zhuzhou Fuchsia Chinese Fringeflower will grow to be about 12 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. It has a low canopy, and is suitable for planting under power lines. 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 prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. 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.



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