Snowcap® Indian Hawthorn

Rhaphiolepis x delacourii 'Corleyscourii'

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 6

Description:

A compact, mounded variety that produces profuse clusters of pale pink flowers that fade to white, followed by dark blue berries; highly disease resistant, deep green, glossy foliage turns maroon in cold weather; an excellent accent, or foundation shrub



Snowcap Indian Hawthorn flowers
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Ornamental Features

Snowcap Indian Hawthorn features showy clusters of shell pink flowers at the ends of the branches from early to late spring, which emerge from distinctive pink flower buds. It has attractive dark green evergreen foliage which emerges coppery-bronze in spring. The large glossy oval leaves are highly ornamental and remain dark green throughout the winter. It produces navy blue berries in early summer.



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Landscape Attributes

Snowcap Indian Hawthorn is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a mounded 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 is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Snowcap Indian Hawthorn is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



Snowcap Indian Hawthorn in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Snowcap Indian Hawthorn will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

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 not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Snowcap Indian Hawthorn makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.