Snow Panda Fringeflower

Loropetalum chinense 'Snow Panda'



Snow Panda Fringeflower flowers
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Height: 10 feet

Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 6

Other Names: Chinese Fringe Flower, Chinese Witch Hazel

Description:

A beautiful, loosely vase shaped shrub with snowy white strap-like flowers smothering the plant in spring; blooms are highlighted by sage green foliage; an easy to grow and well-behaved shrub for gardens or containers

Ornamental Features

Snow Panda Fringeflower is draped in stunning fragrant white strap-like flowers along the branches in early spring. It has dark green evergreen foliage which emerges light green in spring. The oval leaves remain dark green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Snow Panda Fringeflower is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an indistinguished 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.

Snow Panda Fringeflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Snow Panda Fringeflower will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 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.

Snow Panda Fringeflower 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.