Fine-leaf Groundcover Myoporum

Myoporum parvifolium 'Fine Leaf Form'



Fine-leaf Groundcover Myoporum flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Plant Height: 3 inches

Flower Height: 4 inches

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 8

Other Names: Creeping Myoporum, Prostrate Myoporum

Description:

A fast growing, trailing groundcover presenting well branched stems, with small, narrow leaves; clusters of white, star shaped flowers cover the branch ends in late spring to summer; drought and seaside tolerant; prune for neatness after flowering



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Ornamental Features

Fine-leaf Groundcover Myoporum features showy clusters of white star-shaped flowers at the ends of the branches from late spring to mid summer. It has green evergreen foliage. The small narrow leaves remain green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Fine-leaf Groundcover Myoporum is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a ground-hugging habit of growth. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which should be used to full effect.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Fine-leaf Groundcover Myoporum is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Fine-leaf Groundcover Myoporum will grow to be only 3 inches tall at maturity extending to 4 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 10 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Fine-leaf Groundcover Myoporum makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. 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.