Aldenhamensis Spindle Tree

Euonymus europaeus 'var. aldenhamensis'



Aldenhamensis Spindle Tree
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 20 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 3

Other Names: European Euonymus

Description:

An incredibly artistic small multistemmed tree whch features highly ornamental orange and pink seeds in fall, although inconsistent fall color; susceptible to scale insect troubles, monitor and treat as necessary

Ornamental Features

Aldenhamensis Spindle Tree has rich green deciduous foliage on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth. The pointy leaves turn an outstanding brick red in the fall. It produces pink capsules from early to late fall.

Landscape Attributes

Aldenhamensis Spindle Tree is a multi-stemmed deciduous 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 shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Aldenhamensis Spindle Tree is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening

Planting & Growing

Aldenhamensis Spindle Tree will grow to be about 20 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 feet. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 3 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium 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 is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under average home landscape conditions. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.