



Lilliputian Saucer Magnolia *Magnolia x soulangeana 'Lilliputian'*

Height: 15 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight: ☐ ☒

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Description:

A compact magnolia with breathtaking cup-shaped fragrant light pink flowers which appear in early spring before the leaves, upright habit, excellent size for smaller home landscapes; flowers are susceptible to late spring frosts

Ornamental Features

Lilliputian Saucer Magnolia is smothered in stunning fragrant shell pink cup-shaped flowers with white overtones held atop the branches in early spring before the leaves. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The large pointy leaves turn coppery-bronze in fall.

Landscape Attributes

Lilliputian Saucer Magnolia is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a distinctive and refined pyramidal form. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer 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.

Lilliputian Saucer Magnolia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



Lilliputian Saucer Magnolia flowers
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Lilliputian Saucer Magnolia in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Lilliputian Saucer Magnolia will grow to be about 15 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 feet. It has a low canopy 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 80 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth, but will die in standing water. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for 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 particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.