



Weeping Fuji Cherry

Prunus incisa 'Pendula'

Height: 8 feet

Spread: 12 feet

Sunlight: 

Hardiness Zone: 5b

Other Names: Japanese Cherry

Description:

A captivating flowering ornamental for the discerning gardener with delicious pinkish-white flowers in early spring that literally enshroud the branches, an artistic, gracefully weeping habit makes it a wonderful selection for the landscape

Ornamental Features

Weeping Fuji Cherry is bathed in stunning clusters of lightly-scented white bell-shaped flowers with shell pink overtones along the branches in early spring, which emerge from distinctive crimson flower buds before the leaves. It has green deciduous foliage which emerges coppery-bronze in spring. The pointy leaves turn outstanding shades of red, yellow and gold in the fall. The smooth dark red bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Weeping Fuji Cherry is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a rounded form and gracefully weeping branches. 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;

- Disease



Weeping Fuji Cherry flowers
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Weeping Fuji Cherry in bloom
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Weeping Fuji Cherry is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Weeping Fuji Cherry will grow to be about 8 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Weeping Fuji Cherry 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.