Burning Bush, Fire Ball

Euonymus alatus 'Select'

Height: 7 feet

Spread: 7 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Winged Euonymus, Fireball Burningbush

Description:

A choice compact garden shrub which turns a brilliant reddish pink color in fall; attractive mounded growth habit and interesting corky wings on the branches; a very adaptable and versatile plant, wonderful in the foundation garden

Ornamental Features

Burning Bush, Fire Ball has rich green deciduous foliage on a plant with a round habit of growth. The pointy leaves turn an outstanding cherry red in the fall. It produces red capsules from early to late fall. The warty brown bark and harvest gold branches are extremely showy and add significant winter interest.

Landscape Attributes

Burning Bush, Fire Ball is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. 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 is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and can be pruned at anytime. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Burning Bush, Fire Ball is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Burning Bush, Fire Ball in fall
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- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Burning Bush, Fire Ball will grow to be about 7 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 7 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, 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 performs well in both full sun and full shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. This plant should be periodically fertilized throughout the active growing season with a specially-formulated acidic fertilizer. 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.



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