Magnolia, Edith Bogue

Magnolia grandiflora 'Edith Bogue'



Magnolia, Edith Bogue flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 35 feet

Spread: 20 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 5b

Other Names: Southern Magnolia

Description:

A dazzling flowering accent tree with a broad conical growth habit, smothered in showy and fragrant white cup-shaped flowers; large glossy leaves with brownish undersides; one of the hardiest selections available. Needs protection from strong winds.

Ornamental Features

Magnolia, Edith Bogue is covered in stunning fragrant creamy white cup-shaped flowers with white overtones held atop the branches from late spring to early summer. It has dark green evergreen foliage. The large glossy pointy leaves turn coppery-bronze in the fall, which persists throughout the winter. The fruits are showy red pods displayed from early to late fall.



Magnolia, Edith Bogue in bloom
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Landscape Attributes

Magnolia, Edith Bogue is an evergreen tree 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 tree, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Magnolia, Edith Bogue is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade

Planting & Growing

Magnolia, Edith Bogue will grow to be about 35 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 feet. It has a high canopy of foliage that sits well above the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. As it matures, the lower branches of this tree can be strategically removed to create a high enough canopy to support unobstructed human traffic underneath. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 80 years or more.

This tree does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. 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, but has a definite preference for acidic soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selection of a native North American species.

Clean up Rating (1-5) 1=least effort 5=most effort

Clean Up Rating (3): Blooms and leaves can be blown or raked onto the lawn and mowed or bagged. Seed pods are oblong 3 to 5 inches long and clean up by blowing or raking into a pile and bag them. Magnolias need protection from strong winds. Evergreens need to be watered during the winter. Our desert climate especially in late winter to early spring evergreens can suffer during next growing season. An easy way to remember check for dryness on the holidays Halloween, Thanksgiving, New Year's Day, Valentines Day & Easter. During the growing season maintain regular deep watering.