Winged Burning Bush

Euonymus alatus

Height: 10 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 3b

Other Names: Winged Euonymus, Burningbush

Description:

One of the very best shrubs for fall color, turns a florescent red to pink color, very showy; attractive broad mounded growth habit and interesting corky wings on the branches; very adaptable and versatile; plan for the future as it can grow rather large

Ornamental Features

Winged Burning Bush 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

Winged Burning Bush 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.

Winged Burning Bush is recommended for the following landscape applications;

Winged Burning Bush in fall
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- *Accent*
- *Mass Planting*
- *Hedges/Screening*
- *General Garden Use*

Planting & Growing

Winged Burning Bush will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 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 is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under average home landscape conditions. 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 species is not originally from North America.

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