FAMILY TREE NURSERY

Lucky Charm Myrtle Leaf Distylium

Distylium myricoides 'Lucky Charm'



Lucky Charm Myrtle Leaf Distylium flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 6b

Other Names: Evergreen Witch Hazel, Witchhazel

Description:

This evergreen shrub has a spreading habit with lateral branching that creates a layered effect; red flowers along the branches accentuates the horizontal structure of the shrub; excellent for massing along borders



Lucky Charm Myrtle Leaf Distylium in bloom
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Lucky Charm Myrtle Leaf Distylium is clothed in stunning red spider-like flowers along the branches from late winter to mid spring, which emerge from distinctive creamy white flower buds. It has attractive bluish-green evergreen foliage. The narrow leaves are highly ornamental and remain bluish-green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Lucky Charm Myrtle Leaf Distylium is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a stunning habit of growth which features almost oriental horizontally-tiered 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 is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and usually looks its best without pruning, although it will tolerate pruning. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Lucky Charm Myrtle Leaf Distylium is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use

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Planting & Growing

Lucky Charm Myrtle Leaf Distylium will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. 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 somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.