



Butterscotch Euonymus

Euonymus japonicus 'Butterscotch'

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○ ● ●

Hardiness Zone: 5b

Other Names: Japanese Spindle Tree

Description:

Rich glossy bright yellow new foliage matures to yellow with green centers; seaside salt tolerance; a great low hedge plant with a compact habit that will require little shearing for a formal appearance

Ornamental Features

Butterscotch Euonymus has attractive green-variegated yellow foliage. The glossy oval leaves are highly ornamental and remain yellow throughout the winter. Neither the flowers nor the fruit are ornamentally significant.

Landscape Attributes

Butterscotch Euonymus is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and can be pruned at anytime. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Butterscotch Euonymus is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



Butterscotch Euonymus foliage
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Planting & Growing

Butterscotch Euonymus will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 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 typical garden conditions. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. 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.