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Croftway Purple Prince Cape Fuchsia



Croftway™ Purple Prince Cape Fuchsia *Phygellus aequalis* 'Croppurpri'

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○ ●

Hardiness Zone: 7b

Other Names: Cape Figwort

Group/Class: Croftway Series

Description:

A striking variety featuring nodding purple trumpet flowers that fade to pink; very attractive to hummingbirds; a dense self supporting round shrub that can be treated as a tender perennial in colder areas

Ornamental Features

Croftway Purple Prince Cape Fuchsia features dainty nodding purple trumpet-shaped flowers with violet overtones along the branches from early summer to early fall. It has attractive green evergreen foliage. The serrated pointy leaves are highly ornamental and remain green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Croftway Purple Prince Cape Fuchsia is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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 should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting hummingbirds to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Croftway Purple Prince Cape Fuchsia is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Croftway Purple Prince Cape Fuchsia
flowers
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Croftway Purple Prince Cape Fuchsia
in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Croftway Purple Prince Cape Fuchsia will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It has a low canopy. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

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. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Croftway Purple Prince Cape Fuchsia makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.

This plant is not reliably hardy in our region, and certain restrictions may apply; contact the store for more information.