



Shidare Weeping Chinese Fringeflower

Loropetalum chinense 'Shidare'

Height: 7 feet

Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 6

Other Names: Chinese Fringe Flower, Chinese Witch Hazel

Description:

A delightful spring-blooming shrub with creamy white strap-like flowers literally smothering the plant; fine green foliage and a graceful weeping habit give interest for the rest of the year; an easy to grow and well-behaved shrub for general garden use

Ornamental Features

Shidare Weeping Chinese Fringeflower is covered in stunning fragrant creamy white strap-like flowers along the branches in early spring. It has attractive dark green evergreen foliage which emerges chartreuse in spring. The glossy oval leaves are highly ornamental and remain dark green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Shidare Weeping Chinese Fringeflower is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a rounded form and gracefully weeping branches. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

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 has no significant negative characteristics.

Shidare Weeping Chinese Fringeflower is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



Shidare Weeping Chinese Fringeflower in bloom
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Shidare Weeping Chinese Fringeflower flowers
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Planting & Growing

Shidare Weeping Chinese Fringeflower will grow to be about 7 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 feet. It has a low canopy, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is particular about its soil conditions, with a strong preference for rich, acidic 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.