## **Plant Finder**





Emerald Knoll® Boxwood Buxus 'RLH-BI'

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 5

**Description:** 



Emerald Knoll Boxwood Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

A low, mounding, spreading boxwood with lush, emerald green leaves that hold their color in winter and do not bronze; perfect for low formal hedges, mass planting, or containers

### **Ornamental Features**

Emerald Knoll Boxwood is primarily valued in the garden for its ornamental upright and spreading habit of growth. It has forest green evergreen foliage. The small oval leaves remain forest green throughout the winter.

#### Landscape Attributes

Emerald Knoll Boxwood is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and can be pruned at anytime. It is a good choice for attracting bees to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Emerald Knoll Boxwood is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Topiary
- Container Planting

#### **Planting & Growing**

Emerald Knoll Boxwood will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 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 approximately 30 years.

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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. This plant will benefit from an application of bonemeal and/or mycorrhizal fertilizer at the time of planting. 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, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Emerald Knoll Boxwood 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.