Northern Pearls Korean Pearlbush

Exochorda serratifolia 'Northern Pearls'

Height: 8 feet

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

An attractive medium-sized shrub that features showy white flowers in spring emerging from pearl-shaped flower buds, good rounded growth habit, ideal for general garden use or in groupings; tends to fade into the background when not in bloom

Ornamental Features

Northern Pearls Korean Pearlbush features showy racemes of white flowers along the branches in mid spring. It has green deciduous foliage. The serrated oval leaves turn yellow in fall.

Landscape Attributes

Northern Pearls Korean Pearlbush is a multi-stemmed deciduous 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 has no significant negative characteristics.

Northern Pearls Korean Pearlbush is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



Northern Pearls Korean Pearlbush flowers
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Planting & Growing

Northern Pearls Korean Pearlbush will grow to be about 8 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 feet. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium 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 is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.



Northern Pearls Korean Pearlbush in bloom
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