Plant Finder

Green Mountain Boxwood (poodle form)

Buxus 'Green Mountain (poodle)'



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Height: 3 feet

Spread: 18 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Description:

A compact, hybrid, broadleaf evergreen with the center clipped and maintained as a sphere, like a poodle's tail; makes a great accent or garden detail plant, very popular and one of the hardier varieties

Ornamental Features

Green Mountain Boxwood (poodle form) is primarily valued in the garden for its ornamental globe-shaped form. It has rich green evergreen foliage. The small round leaves remain green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Green Mountain Boxwood (poodle form) is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a more or less rounded form. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which should be used to full effect.

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.

Green Mountain Boxwood (poodle form) is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use
- Topiary
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Green Mountain Boxwood (poodle form) will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground. 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. 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.

Green Mountain Boxwood (poodle form) makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used 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.