Gold Angel Japanese Shrub Mint

Leucosceptrum japonicum 'Gold Angel'



Gold Angel Japanese Shrub Mint foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Other Names: Golden Angel Japanese Shrub Mint

Description:

This outstanding variety of shrub mint is great to brighten up a shaded garden; soft yellow flowers appear in fall over a mound of golden foliage; tolerant of heat and humidity

Ornamental Features

Gold Angel Japanese Shrub Mint has masses of beautiful spikes of yellow flowers in early fall, which are most effective when planted in groupings. It has gold deciduous foliage which emerges light green in spring. The serrated oval leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Gold Angel Japanese Shrub Mint 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 is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Gold Angel Japanese Shrub Mint is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Gold Angel Japanese Shrub Mint will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It has a low canopy. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This shrub does best in partial shade to 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 somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Gold Angel Japanese Shrub Mint 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.