Magical® Temptation Coralberry

Symphoricarpos x doorenbosii 'Kolmatemta'



Magical Temptation Coralberry fruit
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 3b

Description:

An attractive, well branched small shrub valued for its clusters of hot pink glossy berries that appear in late summer and persist into winter; perfect for cut flower arrangements; excellent for mass plantings or as a stand alone accent

Ornamental Features

Magical Temptation Coralberry is primarily grown for its highly ornamental fruit. It features an abundance of magnificent rose berries with shell pink overtones from late summer to early winter. It features subtle white bell-shaped flowers along the branches in late spring, which emerge from distinctive crimson flower buds. It has bluish-green foliage with grayish green undersides. The oval leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Magical Temptation Coralberry is a dense 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 shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and can be pruned at anytime. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Suckering

Magical Temptation Coralberry is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Magical Temptation Coralberry will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 15 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Magical Temptation Coralberry 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.