

Cotoneaster

(Cotoneaster sp.)

Cranberry

(C. apiculatus)

Very small red-violet flowers in the spring, followed by half-inch orange-red berries. Shiny green leaves.

Zone: 5

Light and Soil: Full sun or partial shade. Well-drained soil.

Height: 4'

Comments

Spreading, horizontal branching habit. Use on slopes or in foundation plantings. Can be trained on walls.

Creeping

(C. adpressus)

Very small pinkish flowers in the spring, followed by half-inch red berries. Shiny green leaves.

Zone: 5

Light and Soil: Full sun or partial shade. Well-drained soil.

Height: 10'

Comments

Low-growing roots where branches touch ground. Use on slopes or in rock gardens and walls. Needs no pruning.

Diel's

(C. dielsianus)

Small pinkish half-inch flowers in spring, followed by half-inch red berries. Leaves are shiny green, turning red in the fall.

Zone: 6

Light and Soil: Full sun or partial shade. Well-drained soil.

Height: 7'

Comments

Widely spreading branches. Forms dense mound twice as wide as high.

Early

(C. adpressa 'praecox')

Very small pinkish-red flowers in the spring, followed by half-inch red berries. Shiny green leaves.

Zone: 5

Light and Soil: Full sun or partial shade. Well-drained soil.

Height: 2'

Comments

Low, mound-shaped plants. Use in rock gardens and foundation plantings.

Many-Flowered

(C. multiflorus)

Half- to 1-inch white flowers cover the branches in spring, followed by large red berries. Shiny green foliage.

Zone: 6

Light and Soil: Full sun or partial shade. Well-drained soil.

Height: 12'

Comments

Very showy all seasons. Use as a specimen plant.

Peking

(C. acutifolius)

Very small pinkish flowers in the spring, followed by half-inch black berries. Shiny green leaves.

Zone: 3

Light and Soil: Full sun or partial shade. Well-drained soil.

Height: 10'

Comments

Dense and upright growth. Use in shrub borders, screens, or hedges. Needs no pruning.

Spreading

(C. divaricatus)

Small pink-violet flowers in the spring, followed by half-inch red berries. Leaves are shiny green, turning red in the fall.

Zone: 5

Light and Soil: Full sun or partial shade. Well-drained soil.

Height: 6

Comments

Widely spreading branches in upright plants. Use in hedge borders or as a specimen plant.

Sungari

(C. racemiflorus 'soongoricus')

Half-inch white flowers in clusters in spring, followed by half-inch red berries. Foliage is gray-green.

Zone: 4

Light and Soil: Full sun or partial shade. Well-drained soil.

Height: 8'

Comments

Hardy and vigorous. Very showy all seasons. Long arching branches. Use as a specimen plant.