



Species: *Leucothoe fontanesiana*

(lue-ko'tho-ee fon-tah-nee-zee-ay-nah)

Drooping Leucothoe; Fetterbush; Dog-hobble

Cultivar Information

* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Shrub < 4 feet, Groundcover

Height: 3' - 6' (equal spread)

Leaves: Evergreen

Shape: arching, graceful shrub

Ornamental Other: Evergreen, leathery, dark green leaves turn bronze-purple in winter; cream-white drooping flowers in late spring

Environmental Characteristics

Light: Part shade, Shade

Hardy To Zone: 4b

Soil Ph: Requires acid (pH 5.0 to 7.0)

Environmental Other: Prefers part to full shade; will tolerate sun if kept moist. Winter foliage damage in full sun.

Insect Disease

leaf spot (susceptible to 8 species of fungi); only plant in preferred conditions

Bare Root Transplanting

Any

Other

native from Virginia to Georgia and Tennessee; transplants easily (container in spring) but careful siting is important; attractive in combination with Rhododendrons; plant is toxic to animals; forms thickets

Cultivars for *Leucothoe fontanesiana*

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Cultivar Name	Notes
Girard	'Girard's Rainbow' - variegated white, pink or coppery new growth
Lovita	'Lovita' - compact
Mary Elizabeth	'Mary Elizabeth' - slow-growing, compact
Nana	'Nana' - dense; dark green foliage
Rollisoni	'Rollisoni' - smaller leaves, hardy, compact
Scarletta	'Scarletta' - new leaves glossy, scarlet
Silver Run	'Silver Run' - variegated foliage

Photos



Leucothoe fontanesiana - Habit



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Leucothoe fontanesiana - Fruit



Leucothoe fontanesiana - Bark