



Species: *Euonymus alatus*

(eu-on'i-mus a-lay'tus)

Winged Euonymus

Cultivar Information

This species has many cultivars. Due to its increasingly invasive nature in most areas varieties with fewer fruits are being bred. Two native species exist in the northeastern US *E. americanus* and *E. atropurpurea*. Neither is well known in the nursery trade but both deserve attention.

* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Shrub 4 to 8 feet

Height: 15' (spread 15')

Leaves: Deciduous

Shape: horizontal branching habit

Ornamental Other: tolerant of sun or shade; tolerates some poor drainage and drought

Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun, Part shade, Shade

Hardy To Zone: 4a

Soil Ph: Can tolerate acid to alkaline soil (pH 5.0 to 8.0)

Environmental Other: corky twigs; brilliant red fall color; excellent for hedging, screening, massing

Insect Disease

largely trouble free except for occasional scale

Bare Root Transplanting

Any

Other

Easy to transplant, native to Northeast Asia and Central China. INVASIVE in Northeast US

Cultivars for *Euonymus alatus*

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Cultivar Name	Notes
Chicago Fire	'Chicago Fire' - hardy to zone 3; superior fall color
Compacta	'Compacta' (a.k.a. 'Nana') - slow growing and more compact; grows to 10'
Apterus	'Apterus' (a.k.a. var. apterus) - large-growing form; produces stems without prominent wings.
Kosho Mayune	'Kosho Mayune' - pinkish-red fall color
Monstrosus	'Monstrosus' - large, vigorous habit; produces very large wings
Little Moses	'Little Moses' (a.k.a. 'Odom') - slow growing, low mounding plant; reaching 30-36"; holds its leaves in fall two or three weeks longer than the species; reported to produce few fruits
Pipsqueak	'Pipsqueak' (a.k.a. 'Pipzam') - compact, semi-dwarf habit; 5' high at maturity; denser and finer in texture than 'Compactus'
Rudy Haag	'Rudy Haag' - slow growth rate; dense, compact growing form, does not get as large as 'Compactus'; 3' high x 3.5' wide in 15 years; forms a dense mound of fine twiggy branches; bright pink to red fall color; reported to be nearly seedless
FireBall	'FireBall' (a.k.a. 'Select') - selection from 'Compactus', grows to 4 - 7'; bright red fall color; suffers less winter damage than 'Compactus'
Chicago Fire	'Chicago Fire' (a.k.a. 'Timber Creek') - hardier than species; grows to 8 - 10' high x 6 - 8' wide; multi-stemmed habit; crimson red fall color followed by abundant red-orange fruit
Unforgettable Fire (a.k.a. Hayman)	Compact form, smaller leaves

Photos



Euonymus alatus - Leaves, Fall Interest



Euonymus alatus - Fruit



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Euonymus alatus - Bark



Euonymus alatus - Habit



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Euonymus alatus - Bark



Euonymus alatus - Habit, Fall Interest



Euonymus alatus - Leaves



Euonymus alatus - Flower