



*The Best of Every Season*



**European Cotoneaster\***  
*Cotoneaster integerrimus*

Height: 10 feet  
Spread: 12 feet  
Sunlight: ☉ ●  
Hardiness Zone: 2

**Description:**

A large spreading shrub valued primarily for its showy cherry red fruit in fall and into early winter; white flowers in spring, a somewhat loosely arching habit of growth; can be grown in masses or as a solitary with adequate room

**Ornamental Features**

European Cotoneaster has clusters of pink flowers along the branches in mid spring. It has dark green foliage throughout the season. The oval leaves turn an outstanding brick red in the fall. It produces red berries from late summer to late fall.

**Landscape Attributes**

European Cotoneaster is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a shapely form and gracefully arching branches. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Disease

European Cotoneaster is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*European Cotoneaster fruit*  
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- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

### **Planting & Growing**

European Cotoneaster will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This species is not originally from North America.

*\* This is a 'special order' plant - contact store for details*



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