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Northern Charm™ Boxwood

Buxus 'Wilson' Northern Charm™

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Botanical Name

Buxus 'Wilson'

Common Name

Northern Charm™ boxwood

Family

Buxaceae

Origin

A selection out of the seedling block of Green Mountain and Green Velvet boxwoods by Wilson Nurseries, Inc., in Hampshire, Illinois.

Hardiness

U.S.D.A. Zones 4b-9

General Description and Habit

Excellent cold-hardiness, a compact, oval-rounded habit, delicate foliage and good growth rate. The semi-glossy, emerald foliage develops an appealing bluish cast during the growing season, changing to rich, deep black-green during winter. The elegant texture, color and habit of this selection make it an outstanding choice for traditional formal hedges and border plantings.

Size

3' to 4' high x possible 5' wide in 15 years.

Growth Rate

Slow to medium; typically less than 6" annually.

Culture

Easily transplanted B&B or from containers. Best sited in filtered sun, although does perform well in full sun as well as in shaded locations. Extremely wet sites should be avoided.

Pest and Disease Problems

None known.

Landscape Value

Excellent for hedges, borders, accents, groupings, foundation plantings and formal gardens.

Propagation

Hardwood or softwood cuttings.

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