



Angel Vine (Wire Vine)
Muehlenbeckia complexa

Plant Height: 8 inches

Flower Height: 20 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○ ●

Hardiness Zone: 7

Description:

Perfect for all kinds of containers and looks great spilling over the sides of a pot of mixed plants. Can be trained to a fiber totem or small trellis.

Ornamental Features

Angel Vine (Wire Vine) is primarily valued in the landscape for its broadly spreading habit of growth. It has attractive light green evergreen foliage. The small glossy round leaves are highly ornamental and remain light green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Angel Vine (Wire Vine) is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen woody vine with a twining and trailing habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This woody vine will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and can be pruned at anytime. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spreading

Angel Vine (Wire Vine) is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Topiary
- Container Planting



Angel Vine (Wire Vine) foliage
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Planting & Growing

Angel Vine (Wire Vine) will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity extending to 20 feet tall with the flowers, with a spread of 3 feet. As a climbing vine, it tends to be leggy near the base and should be underplanted with low-growing facer plants. It should be planted near a fence, trellis or other landscape structure where it can be trained to grow upwards on it, or allowed to trail off a retaining wall or slope. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This woody vine does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is not originally from North America.

Angel Vine (Wire Vine) makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, this plant may be too tender to survive the winter if left outdoors in a container. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.

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