

Botanical Name: Cotoneaster microphyllus thymifolius

Common Name: Thyme leaf rockspray Cotoneaster

Type of Plant: dicot: shrub Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape dense, compact, upright plant with stiff upright branches
and tiny, narrow and fine textured leaves

Height 12" - 18" Spread 12" - 18" Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun to partial shade

Soil prefers a well-drained soil

Hardiness hardy (zones 2-9, 14-24)

Morphology:

Leaves narrowly elliptical, to ½" long, 1/8" wide, deeply
depressed midrib

Flowers small white flowers, 1/4" across, in spring

Fruit pinkish-red pome, 3/8" across

Propagation: seed, semi-hardwood cuttings

Usage: excellent in mass plantings as a shrubby groundcover,
facier plant, rock gardens; excellent for bonsai

Landscape Care:

Watering keep fairly dry; drought tolerant when established

Fertilizing balanced in spring

Pruning shear or head lightly to keep compact; becomes very dense

Pests/Diseases fire blight

Special Conditions

Origin: W. China Family: Rosaceae