

'Amy Cotta'

Rhododendron 'Amy Cotta'

pp#11,311

Common name: rhododendron



Landscape Info:	
USDA/AHS zones:	USDA 4/AHS 8
Mature height:	2-3'/.6-.9 m
Exposure:	Part shade-sun
Irrigation:	average

Features & Benefits:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An improved version of the classic 'PJM' rhododendron with a heavier flower set and more compact habit. - Evergreen, with spheres of lavender-purple flowers in early spring; fall brings purple foliage color. - Very popular choice for landscaping.



Cultural info:		
pH Level:	5.6 – 6.2	
Nutrient Needs:	Average	
EC (2:1 extract):	0.6 – 0.9	
Light Level:	Moderate-high	
Watering:	Low to moderate	
Rooting Out Temp:	65 – 72° F/18.3 – 22.2° C	
Overwintering Temp:	Polyhouse, no heat (where hardy)	
Sales Window:	All season; spring bloom, evergreen	
Blooms On:	Old wood	
Trimming/pruning:	Trim 3-4 times	
Vernalization:	Required	
Vigor Rating:	Slow-average	
Finish Size	Liner Size	Weeks of Active Growth to Finish
1 gallon	2 ¼" • 4" • QT	16-18 • 15-17 • 14-16
2 - 3 gallon	4" • QT	20-24 • 18-22

Grower Tips:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best grown in light, fast-draining media and kept on the dry side – frequent watering and less-than-immediate drainage can lead to root rot and disease. • Blooms on old wood – dormant and spring pruning will remove flower buds. • Trim up to 4 times to encourage a dense, well-branched and rounded plant, but never cut into thick stems. Doing so will result in an awkward habit and slow recovery. • Stop trimming in late July to allow flower buds to form if selling the following season. • Potting a 2 ¼" liner directly to a 3 gallon can is not recommended. • A 5 gallon can be produced from a 1 gallon shift; allow 20-24 weeks to the time required to produce the 1 gallon. • An excellent plant for shipping in bloom for spring sales.
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