

# Legend Of The Small® Bottlebrush



## *Fothergilla x intermedia* 'NCFI1' PP34139

### Top reasons to grow Legend of the Fall Bottlebrush:

- very small habit
- fragrant spring blooms
- very shade tolerant and deer resistant
- especially nice grouped under trees, or planted as a low hedge. It can also be incorporated into flower gardens or wildlife gardens

- **Use:** Little habit. Little leaves. BIG fall color display. When you consider that a typical fothergilla can reach around 10 feet tall and wide, you might be rather shocked to learn that Legend of the Small only grows to a third of that size. You get all the vibrant, eye-popping, jaw-dropping fall color, but in a manageable package. Plant it in the middle of your border or as a low hedge and watch it show off from spring until late fall. Spring is for milky white, bottlebrush shaped flowers, summer is for blue-green matte foliage, and fall is for the explosion of yellow, orange, and red leaf color. Like other fothergilla, it may put out some suckers, but these can be easily controlled by pulling, cutting, or severing with a sharp spade. Plant in sun, shade, or anywhere in between, but fall color will be most vivid in spots that get at least some sun each day.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Grows well in full sun to light or open shade. In more sun the fall color is more brilliant. Provide regular summer watering during dry weather to keep it looking its best. Little pruning is needed to keep it looking good. Occasionally, older twiggly stems can be cut to the ground to make way for fresh new growth and to keep it slightly smaller in size.
- **Growth:** Slow growing; reaches 2-2'6" tall and 2'-3' wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 5-9 Shrub
- **Foliage:** Deciduous, Small, neatly veined green foliage. Then, when the 1st chill of fall hits the air they turn into a flash of orange-red to signal the arrival of fall.
- **Flower:** Flowers are borne in April and early May and have a faint honey scent. The small, individual white flowers are held in 1- to 2-inch-high bottlebrush-like spikes.

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