

Fothergilla 'Mount Airy'

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Right: the airy bottlebrush flower
Below: fall color is red, orange, yellow, and purple



Right: a young Fothergilla in winter



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Family: Hamamelidaceae

Stem & Leaf Type: shrub

Size: 3-5’ tall; 3-5’ wide

USDA Hardiness Zones: 5

Leaves: alternate and simple, with crenate margins

Leaf Color: blue-green

Fall Color: red, orange, and yellow,

Flowers: bloom April-May, off-white

Fruit: not ornamental

Light: best in full sun, tolerates shade

Moisture: well-drained—moist, acidic

Insect/Disease Issues: none serious

Nativity: Cultivated/North America

Location in the Gardens: North Mixed Border,
Sunny Side Yard

Culture & Landscape Value:

An excellent shrub for homeowners—low maintenance, no disease pressure, spring and fall interest, and a manageable size. Best used in a mixed border, but can be planted as a mass. Long-lived—as old as 75 years in the right spot. Flowers bloom for 3-4 weeks.

Notes:

Fothergilla x intermedia is a cross between *F. major* and *F. gardenia*. Both of these species are native to the southeastern US.



Months of Interest:

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
May	Jun	Jul	Aug
Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec