Tom Thumb/Little Gem Creeping Cotoneaster Cotoneaster apiculatus (adpressus) 'Tom Thumb' (syn. 'Little Gem')

SPECS

Height:	12-18"
Spread:	3-6'
Shape:	low, spreading
Foliage:	green
Fall Color:	red
Flowers:	pinkish, few
Fruit:	seldom
Zone:	5

DESCRIPTION

'Tom Thumb' is considered to be synonymous with 'Little Gem'. It is a semi-prostrate, spreading shrub that rarely reaches over 18" tall. Its dark green foliage is dense and shiny, turning deep red in fall. Fall color is long lasting and impressive. This cultivar produces few flowers and rarely sets any fruit.

'Tom Thumb' is adaptable to various soil types and is easily grown in the landscape. Its semiprostrate form and dense network of branches makes it useful for erosion control on slopes and banks. Mass in larger areas as a groundcover or plant near edges of walls, where its foliage can drape over and soften hardscaping.





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