



Krascheninnikovia lanata (syn. Ceratoides lanata) Winterfat

Winterfat is a small cottony-looking shrub that has a wide distribution across western North America. It occurs from 2000 to 8000 foot elevations, and will probably not perform well in the hot low deserts. This semi-evergreen shrub grows to 2-3 feet tall and wide. Its leaves are narrow and covered with fine white hairs, giving the shrub a woolly appearance. Male and female flowers are small and are produced on different plants. Female plants produce wonderful fluffy seed heads that look especially stunning when backlit by the sun. Winterfat is very tolerant of alkaline soils. In landscapes, plants should be pruned heavily in the early spring. In addition to making a handsome ornamental plant, Winterfat is useful for erosion control. USDA Zone 3.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY	
SIZE (H X W)	2-3 feet x 2-3 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Inconspicuous
FLOWER SEASON	
EXPOSURE	Full sun
WATER	Low
GROWTH RATE	Moderate
HARDINESS	-40° F, USDA Zone 3
PRUNING	Cut back in early spring



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