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### Poprocks® Pineapple Spirea Spiraea japonica 'Pineapple Poprocks'

Height: 3 feet
Spread: 3 feet
Sunlight: 

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Hardiness Zone: 3a

Group/Class: Poprocks Series

#### **Description:**

A striking garden detail shrub featuring bright lemon-yellow foliage finishing copper-red in fall; small flat-topped clusters of pink flowers in early summer; great for mixed borders or along walkways

#### **Ornamental Features**

Poprocks Pineapple Spirea is smothered in stunning clusters of pink flowers with lilac purple overtones at the ends of the branches from late spring to early summer. It has attractive yellow foliage with hints of light green. The small serrated pointy leaves are highly ornamental and turn outstanding shades of coppery-bronze and red in the fall.



Poprocks Pineapple Spirea foliage Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Poprocks Pineapple Spirea is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Poprocks Pineapple Spirea is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use



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#### **Planting & Growing**

Poprocks Pineapple Spirea will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.