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French Lace Weigela

Weigela florida 'French Lace'



French Lace Weigela flowers
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Height: 4 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Brigela

Description:

This deliciously variegated spring-flowering shrub is covered in red trumpet-shaped flowers with yellow throats, which attract hummingbirds; compact and dense, excellent for general garden use, great in groups; needs full sun

Ornamental Features

French Lace Weigela is draped in stunning clusters of dark red trumpet-shaped flowers along the branches in late spring. It has attractive yellow-variegated green foliage with hints of deep purple. The pointy leaves are highly ornamental but do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

French Lace Weigela is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a shapely form and gracefully arching branches. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

French Lace Weigela is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

French Lace Weigela will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 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. 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.