

Summer Sips Sangria Butterfly Bush



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Buddleia 'SRPbudsan'

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 6a

Other Names: Summer Lilac

Group/Class: Summer Sips Series

Description:

A compact, semi-prostrate variety with free flowering, showy spikes of magenta flowers from early summer to early fall, over attractive gray-green foliage; attracts butterflies; may treat as a perennial and cut it back in spring; sterile and non-invasive



*Summer Sips Sangria Butterfly Bush
flowers
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Ornamental Features

Summer Sips Sangria Butterfly Bush features showy panicles of fragrant fuchsia flowers at the ends of the branches from mid summer to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its tomentose narrow leaves remain grayish green in colour throughout the season.

Landscape Attributes

Summer Sips Sangria Butterfly Bush is a multi-stemmed perennial with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cut back to the ground in late winter before active growth resumes. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies and hummingbirds 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.

Summer Sips Sangria Butterfly Bush is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Summer Sips Sangria Butterfly Bush will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. Although it is technically a woody plant, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as a perennial in our climate if planted outdoors over the winter, usually regrowing from its base (crown) the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

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This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. To help this plant achieve its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Summer Sips Sangria Butterfly Bush is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.