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Gold Brian Escallonia



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Escallonia x exoniensis 'Gold Brian'

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 8a

Description:

Clusters of rich rose-red pink flowers bloom in summer over stunning yellow foliage, on this upright, compact, evergreen shrub; a perfect choice for screening or a hedge in that it responds well to shaping; also great as a color accent along borders

Ornamental Features

Gold Brian Escallonia features showy clusters of rose trumpet-shaped flowers with red overtones at the ends of the branches from late spring to mid fall. Its attractive glossy oval leaves emerge chartreuse in spring, turning gold in colour with showy lime green variegation and tinges of yellow the rest of the year. The brick red stems can be quite attractive.

Landscape Attributes

Gold Brian Escallonia is a multi-stemmed evergreen perennial with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

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 birds and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Gold Brian Escallonia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



Gold Brian Escallonia foliage
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Planting & Growing

Gold Brian Escallonia will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 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 slow-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.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Gold Brian Escallonia is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. 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.

This plant is not reliably hardy in our region, and certain restrictions may apply; contact the store for more information.