## **Stonegate Gardens**

### **Cream Poppet Weigela**

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# Cream Poppet Weigela Weigela florida 'Cream Poppet'

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: 

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Hardiness Zone: 4a

#### **Description:**

This stunning spring-flowering shrub is covered in creamy white trumpet-shaped flowers against a rich green backdrop of foliage; attracts hummingbirds; excellent for general garden use, great in groups; needs full sun



Cream Poppet Weigela flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Cream Poppet Weigela features showy clusters of creamy white trumpet-shaped flowers with a yellow blotch along the branches from mid to late spring, which emerge from distinctive shell pink flower buds. It has green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Cream Poppet Weigela is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a mounded form. 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.

Cream Poppet Weigela is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

#### **Planting & Growing**

Cream Poppet Weigela will grow to be about 24 inches 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 medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

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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.

Cream Poppet Weigela makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.