



**Gold Brian Escallonia**  
*Escallonia x exoniensis 'Gold Brian'*

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 7b

**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. It has attractive lime green-variegated gold foliage with hints of yellow which emerges chartreuse in spring. The glossy oval leaves are highly ornamental and remain gold throughout the winter. The smooth bark and brick red branches add an interesting dimension to the landscape.

**Landscape Attributes**

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

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. 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;



*Gold Brian Escallonia foliage*  
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- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

### **Planting & Growing**

Gold Brian Escallonia will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This shrub 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 xeriscaping or the moisture-conserving landscape. 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 makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use 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 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.