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Honeybee™ Bush Honeysuckle

Diervilla rivularis 'Diwibru01'

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

This small to medium shrub features bright yellow emerging foliage that matures to gold; clusters of yellow flowers in summer are popular with bees and butterflies; drought tolerant, adaptable to various soils, and tolerates dry shade

Ornamental Features

Honeybee Bush Honeysuckle features showy panicles of yellow trumpet-shaped flowers along the branches from early summer to early fall. It has attractive gold foliage with hints of light green which emerges yellow in spring. The pointy leaves are highly ornamental and turn outstanding shades of coppery-bronze and in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Honeybee Bush Honeysuckle is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a mounded form. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Suckering

Honeybee Bush Honeysuckle is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Honeybee Bush Honeysuckle flowers
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- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
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Planting & Growing

Honeybee Bush Honeysuckle 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 20 years.

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 not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selection of a native North American species.



Honeybee Bush Honeysuckle foliage
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Honeybee Bush Honeysuckle 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.