Lemon Ice Weigela

Weigela florida 'Lemiczam'

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

This delightfully different addition to the weigela family is an upright shrub featuring soft lemon yellow flowers held over bright green foliage, attract hummingbirds and butterflies in spring; ideal for the mixed garden border

Ornamental Features

Lemon Ice Weigela features showy clusters of lemon yellow trumpet-shaped flowers along the branches in late spring. It has attractive light green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves are highly ornamental but do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Lemon Ice Weigela is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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.

Lemon Ice Weigela is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



Lemon Ice Weigela flowers
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Lemon Ice Weigela in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Lemon Ice Weigela will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

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 may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. 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.

Lemon Ice Weigela makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use 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.