Pam's Pink Honeysuckle

Lonicera x americana 'Pam's Pink'



Pam's Pink Honeysuckle flowers
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Height: 5 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 6

Description:

An exceptional vine with creamy white and pink tubular flowers that bloom intensely in spring and sporadically over the rest of the season; a fine choice for covering an arbor or pergola or climbing up a trellis

Ornamental Features

Pam's Pink Honeysuckle features showy clusters of lightly-scented creamy white tubular flowers with pink overtones at the ends of the branches from mid spring to early fall, which emerge from distinctive hot pink flower buds. It has green deciduous foliage. The oval leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Pam's Pink Honeysuckle is a multi-stemmed deciduous woody vine with a twining and trailing 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 is a relatively low maintenance woody vine, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Pam's Pink Honeysuckle is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Pam's Pink Honeysuckle will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. As a climbing vine, it tends to be leggy near the base and should be underplanted with low-growing facer plants. It should be planted near a fence, trellis or other landscape structure where it can be trained to grow upwards on it, or allowed to trail off a retaining wall or slope. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This woody vine should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. 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. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Pam's Pink 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 spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. 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.