



**Spiraea, Anthony Waterer**  
*Spiraea x bumalda 'Anthony Waterer'*

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 3b

Other Names: Spiraea japonica

**Description:**

A broadly spreading garden shrub featuring attractive clusters of carmine-red flowers offset against the foliage, turns purple in fall; very low maintenance plant, excellent in groupings, needs full sun and well-drained soil

**Ornamental Features**

Spiraea, Anthony Waterer features showy clusters of rose flowers at the ends of the branches from late spring to early summer. It has attractive bluish-green deciduous foliage which emerges brick red in spring. The small serrated pointy leaves are highly ornamental and turn an outstanding burgundy in the fall.

**Landscape Attributes**

Spiraea, Anthony Waterer is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined 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 butterflies to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Spiraea, Anthony Waterer is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



*Spiraea, Anthony Waterer in bloom*  
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*Spiraea, Anthony Waterer flowers*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Spiraea, Anthony Waterer will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 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 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 prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. To help this plant achieve its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. 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 particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.