



Weigela, Vinho Verde Weigela florida 'SMNWFBGV'

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Description:

There is nothing quite like this selection, which features lime green leaves with bold, black margins, on a tidy habit; produces a light crop of pink flowers in late spring that attracts hummingbirds; a great accent for general garden use;

Ornamental Features

Weigela, Vinho Verde features showy clusters of pink trumpet-shaped flowers along the branches from late spring to early summer, which emerge from distinctive red flower buds. It has attractive lime green foliage edged in black with hints of burgundy. The pointy leaves are highly ornamental but do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Weigela, Vinho Verde is a 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.

Weigela, Vinho Verde is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



Weigela, Vinho Verde foliage Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Planting & Growing

Weigela, Vinho Verde will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. It has a low canopy, 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 30 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 achive 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Weigela, Vinho Verde 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.