



Spiraea, Little Princess

Spiraea japonica 'Little Princess'

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Description:

A popular garden detail shrub with showy flat-topped clusters of bright pink flowers in early summer held above the foliage; forms a dense and tight mound, very attractive in groupings; needs well-drained soil

Ornamental Features

Spiraea, Little Princess is draped in stunning clusters of pink flowers at the ends of the branches from late spring to early summer. It has emerald green deciduous foliage which emerges chartreuse in spring. The small serrated pointy leaves turn an outstanding coppery-bronze in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Spiraea, Little Princess 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, Little Princess is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use



Spiraea, Little Princess flowers
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Spiraea, Little Princess in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Spiraea, Little Princess will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 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 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.