Spiraea, Double Play Doozie

Spiraea 'NCSX2'



Spiraea, Double Play Doozie in bloom
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Height: 24 inches

Spread: 30 inches

Spacing: 30 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Group/Class: Double Play Series

Description:

This seedless variety features blazing, deep purple-red emerging foliage that transitions to light green; clusters of purple-red to pink blooms in spring that continue to bloom through summer ; a fantastic garden focal point or mass planting

Ornamental Features

Spiraea, Double Play Doozie features showy clusters of red flowers with lavender overtones at the ends of the branches from mid spring to late summer. It has light green foliage with hints of coppery-bronze which emerges burgundy in spring. The serrated pointy leaves turn an outstanding brick red in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Spiraea, Double Play Doozie 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, Double Play Doozie flowers
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Spiraea, Double Play Doozie is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover

Planting & Growing

Spiraea, Double Play Doozie will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 30 inches apart. 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 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 particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.



Spiraea, Double Play Doozie foliage
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