

# Gertens Plant Info.



## First Editions® Cool Splash Bush Honeysuckle

*Diervilla sessilifolia 'LPDC Podaras'*

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Southern Bush Honeysuckle

### Description:

This introduction features attractive, horizontally branched stems with glowing white variegated leaves and yellow trumpet flowers on a compact shrub; best foliage variegation occurs in full sun; quite the colorful garden accent

### Ornamental Features

First Editions® Cool Splash Bush Honeysuckle is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its cascading habit of growth. It features subtle panicles of yellow trumpet-shaped flowers along the branches in early summer. It has attractive white-variegated dark green foliage. The oval leaves are highly ornamental but do not develop any appreciable fall color.

### Landscape Attributes

First Editions® Cool Splash Bush Honeysuckle is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a shapely form and gracefully arching branches. 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.



First Editions® Cool Splash Bush Honeysuckle flowers  
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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 and hummingbirds to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Suckering

First Editions® Cool Splash Bush Honeysuckle is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens



*First Editions® Cool Splash Bush Honeysuckle foliage  
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## Planting & Growing

First Editions® Cool Splash Bush Honeysuckle will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 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 does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selection of a native North American species.

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