## Minuet Weigela

***Weigela florida 'Minuet'***



*Minuet Weigela in bloom*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 3a

**Description:**

This elegant and hardy spring-flowering shrub is covered in reddish-pink trumpet-shaped flowers with yellow throats, which attract hummingbirds; compact and dense, excellent for general garden use, great in groups; needs full sun

**Ornamental Features**

Minuet Weigela features showy clusters of ruby-red trumpet-shaped flowers with purple overtones and yellow throats along the branches in late spring. It has attractive white deciduous foliage which emerges deep purple in spring. The pointy leaves are highly ornamental but do not develop any appreciable fall colour.



*Minuet Weigela flowers*
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**Landscape Attributes**

Minuet Weigela is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. 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.

Minuet Weigela is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

**Planting & Growing**

Minuet Weigela will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 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 30 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. 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.

Minuet Weigela makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. 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. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.