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**Flutterby Grande Peach Cobbler
Butterfly Bush**

Buddleia davidii 'Podaras 5'

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Summer Lilac

Group/Class: Flutterby Series

Description:

An elegant garden plant with full, cone shaped clusters of pink flowers with bright orange centers; attracts butterflies; may be cut back to the ground each spring, as it blooms on new wood; sterile and non-invasive hybrid

Ornamental Features

Flutterby Grande Peach Cobbler Butterfly Bush features showy panicles of fragrant salmon flowers with orange eyes at the ends of the branches from early summer to early fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has attractive green deciduous foliage. The fuzzy narrow leaves are highly ornamental but do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Flutterby Grande Peach Cobbler Butterfly Bush is an open 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 is a high maintenance shrub that will require regular care and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies and hummingbirds 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.

Flutterby Grande Peach Cobbler Butterfly Bush is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



*Flutterby Grande Peach Cobbler Butterfly Bush flowers
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*Flutterby Grande Peach Cobbler Butterfly Bush in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Flutterby Grande Peach Cobbler Butterfly Bush will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 feet. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under average home landscape conditions. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in both summer and winter to conserve soil moisture and protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Flutterby Grande Peach Cobbler Butterfly Bush 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.

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