

# SHEL MERDINE

## SECOND NATURE



### Red Prince Weigela

*Weigela florida 'Red Prince'*

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 3b

#### Description:

An outstanding spring-flowering shrub, absolutely smothered in bright red trumpet-shaped flowers that attract hummingbirds like magnets; settles into the background the rest of the year, somewhat coarse and open in habit, good for general garden use

#### Ornamental Features

Red Prince Weigela is draped in stunning clusters of red trumpet-shaped flowers along the branches from late spring to mid summer. It has forest green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves do not develop any appreciable fall colour.

#### Landscape Attributes

Red Prince Weigela is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a shapely form and gracefully arching branches. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.

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.

Red Prince Weigela is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



*Red Prince Weigela flowers*  
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*Red Prince Weigela in bloom*  
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## **Planting & Growing**

Red Prince Weigela will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 feet. It has a low canopy, and is suitable for planting under power lines. 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.