

# SHEL MERDINE

## SECOND NATURE



### **Winecraft Gold® Smokebush**

*Cotinus coggygria 'MINCOJAU3'*

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 6a

Other Names: Smoketree

#### **Description:**

A bold, bright and beautiful color accent for the garden, this shrub features orange emerging foliage that takes on a golden hue, then matures to chartreuse; smoky, airy plumes of green to pink cover the plant from early to mid-summer

#### **Ornamental Features**

Winecraft Gold Smokebush has attractive light green-variegated chartreuse foliage with hints of gold which emerges orange in spring on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth. The round leaves are highly ornamental and turn an outstanding yellow in the fall. It features airy plumes of light green flowers at the ends of the branches from early to late summer.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Winecraft Gold Smokebush is a 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 shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Winecraft Gold Smokebush is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



*Winecraft Gold Smokebush foliage*  
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## Planting & Growing

Winecraft Gold Smokebush 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 medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

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 is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

**At Shelmerdine, we treat this plant as a "HOBBY PLANT" meaning that it is not recognized as winter-hardy in our Zone 3 climate. However, there is a possibility that it could survive winter. Regardless of whether it survives a winter or not, this plant is only warranted until Nov. 1 of its season of purchase.**