



# Midnight Wine Shine® Weigela Weigela florida 'SMNWFMS'

Height: 18 inches Spread: 30 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 4a

## **Description:**

This impressive selection forms a low mounded shrub with rich, shiny, deep burgundy-purple foliage all season long, deep pink trumpet-shaped flowers attract hummingbirds in spring; very showy, ideal for the mixed garden border

#### **Ornamental Features**

Midnight Wine Shine Weigela features showy clusters of rose trumpet-shaped flowers with red overtones along the branches from mid to late spring. It has attractive burgundy-variegated deep purple foliage with hints of black which emerges green in spring. The glossy pointy leaves are highly ornamental and turn outstanding shades of burgundy and in the fall.

# **Landscape Attributes**

Midnight Wine Shine Weigela is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined 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.

Midnight Wine Shine Weigela is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



Midnight Wine Shine Weigela foliage Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Midnight Wine Shine Weigela flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



## **Planting & Growing**

Midnight Wine Shine Weigela will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. 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.

Midnight Wine Shine Weigela makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers and foliage against which the thriller plants stand out. 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.