

Lavender Cupcake Butterfly Bush



Buddleia davidii 'Humdinger Lavender Cupcake'

- **Use:** Totally unlike the tall and leggy Buddleia of the past, this series maintains a compact, refined habit. Fits easily into smaller gardens because of its compact, rounded habit. Flower panicles will charm gardeners for many weeks beginning in mid-Summer. Watch with delight as its flowers attract pollinators, including butterflies.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Cold, wet winters can be really hard on buddleia, so here are a few tips to help your buddleia thrive in your garden: 1. Make sure the soil is well-drained. 2. Full sun. That's at least 6 hours. No cheating. 3. Wait until it leafs out in spring before pruning. In some years you may have to prune it back to the ground. After milder winters, maybe not so much. Avoid fall pruning.
- **Growth:** Fast growing low and wide to 3.5-4 tall and 4-4.5' wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 5-10; Shrub
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Graceful gray-green foliage arches
- **Flower:** This sweet Buddleia will charm you with its extremely long, 12" light lavender purple flower panicles and a rounded, compact habit. Once in bloom as early as midsummer, this shrub will bloom like crazy with good flower coverage. Although the best blooming power is its initial bloom, secondary blooms will extend the flowering season into early fall. The word "humdinger" is defined as "something that is very impressive or exciting." That word definitely applies to this new collection of Buddleia!

Once established butterfly bushes are drought tolerant. They are deer resistant and great for woodland gardens.



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