

# Lemonade Native Rhododendron



**Gorgeous balls of lemon yellow blossoms!**

## ***Rhododendron 'Lemonade' (Aromi hybrid)***

- **Use:** A series of azaleas hybridized for Mid-South to Deep-South weather conditions. These beautiful plants take the best traits of our popular Southern Indicas, adding new flower forms and richer colors to that group. Hybridized by Eugene Aromi in the 1960's, they have withstood the test of time in collectors' gardens. They make ideal subjects for mixed borders and shrub plantings in partial shade. Heat tolerant cultivar.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Part sun to shade. As with other azaleas, the partial shade of tall trees overhead is the ideal. You just need to water it during times when it isn't raining enough. Plant them shallowly and mulch well to conserve moisture and suppress weeds. Grows best in moist, well-drained, organic soils with a pH range from 4.5 to 6.0. "Well-drained" is the key. Planting it in places that don't drain well is a sure death sentence.
- **Growth:** Moderate grower to 6 to 10 ft. tall, 3 to 5 ft. wide in an upright habit. The flower buds develop in summer for the following spring's display, so prune shortly after flowering, if necessary. Ideally, plant them where they will not require pruning.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 7-8; Shrub
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Leaves up to 4" long, light green leaves.
- **Flower:** Large lemon yellow flowers with a deep yellow blotch. Late spring. Large flower buds are prominent in the winter and open to trusses of 18-30 flowers. Hybrid of R. 'Sham's Yellow'.

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