

Pink Cascade Butterfly Bush



Buddleia davidii 'Pink Cascade II' PPAF

- **Use:** Like the other members of the Cascade series, 'Pink Cascade II' consists of large 12" arching panicles of flowers in late summer to fall. This variety improves over the original with larger, puffier panicles. This blooms later to match 'Grand Cascade' and will serve as a season extender. We also have yet to observe seed set on this plant believing it may be sterile - a stand out trait among Buddleia. Their passive coloring and texture makes a wonderful backdrop for perennials, and you'll love the butterflies, bees, and hummingbirds that flock to their honey-scented blossoms.
- **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 5-5.5ft. tall, 5-6ft. wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 5-10; Shrub
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Green foliage.
- **Flower:** Large, appleblossom-pink flowers are 12-in. (30-cm) long panicles that cascade down the plant, appearing to weep like a Bridalwreath Spirea. Seed set has not been observed on this plant, indicating it is likely sterile.



Butterfly Bushes have certainly earned their place in the garden over the years, and its easy to see why. Just when we need a breath of fresh air in the late summer heat, they happily burst into bloom. At a time when many other plants are already spent, buddleias are still going strong.

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