

Fiber Optics® Buttonbush



Naturalize in woodland areas, native plant gardens, pond margins, low spots or shrub borders. May also be grown in shallow water at the edge of ponds or large water gardens. A nectar source, attracting butterflies such as the tiger swallowtail and hummingbirds. Attracts over 24 species of birds, including robin, kingbird, and towhee. The nutlets that persist through winter are appealing to the birds.

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Cephalanthus occidentalis 'Bailoptics' PP29475

- **Use:** Fiber Optics® Buttonbush is a more compact variety of this North American native shrub. Buttonbush is quite happy in moist conditions, tolerating flooding and wet spring soil. It's an ideal choice for low areas in the landscape that stay moist. Conversely, it grows well without excessive moisture. Fiber Optics® has exceptional wildlife benefits including nectar-filled flowers and a seed head that is eaten by waterfowl.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Sun or shade. Excellent for naturalizing or wet areas; avoid dry sites.
- **Growth:** Grows 6 to 12 feet high and 12 to 18 feet wide; upright arching to irregular form.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 4-8, Shrub
- **Foliage:** Deciduous; Whorled to opposite leaf arrangement. Leaves are glossy green, up to 4 inches long and 2 inches wide. Medium green in summer turning to yellow in fall.
- **Flower:** Small, 1-inch round ball-like clusters of white flowers held on long stems (petioles). A hard, 1-inch, ball-like fruit persists throughout winter. Reddish fall color maturing to brown.

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