

Jackpot Native Azalea



**This fragrant
beauty is hard
to find and heat
tolerant!**

Rhododendron 'Jackpot'

- **Use:** Unlike their Asian cousins, these native species lose their leaves in winter and grow open and upright rather than forming dense mounds. Flowers are spectacular. Long stamens and sweet fragrance earn them the nickname, "wild honeysuckle."
- **Exposure/Soil:** Part sun to shade. As with other azaleas, the partial shade of tall trees overhead is the ideal. It will adapt to full-sun sites, though. You just need to water it during times when it isn't raining enough. 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:** Habit is upright and bushy. Grows 6' tall and 4-6' wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 6-9 Shrub
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Very lustrous dark green leaves turn orange-bronze in fall. The handsome leaves are exceptionally mildew free.
- **Flower:** Red-orange buds open to fragrant clusters of yellow and orange blended honeysuckle-like flowers in mid spring.