Josee Lilac
Syringa 'Josee'

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 3b

Description:

A dwarf hybrid lilac that's just the right size for the garden, produces a plethora of sweetly fragrant lavender-pink flowers in late spring, has a tendency to rebloom lightly throughout the summer; full sun and well-drained soil

Josee Lilac flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Josee Lilac is covered in stunning panicles of fragrant lavender flowers at the ends of the branches in late spring, which emerge from distinctive pink flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The small pointy leaves do not develop any appreciable fall colour.

Landscape Attributes

Josee Lilac is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Josee Lilac is recommended for the following landscape applications;

  - Mass Planting
  - Hedges/Screening
  - General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Josee Lilac will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under average home landscape conditions. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.