Golden Glitter Spirea

Spiraea nipponica 'Golden Glitter'



Golden Glitter Spirea foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 3

Description:

A beautiful garden detail shrub, smothered in snow-white flowers in late spring along gracefully arching branches, attractive compact form with gold speckled, varigated foliage the rest of the year; full sun and well-drained soil

Ornamental Features

Golden Glitter Spirea is clothed in stunning clusters of white flowers at the ends of the branches from mid to late spring. It has gold-variegated bluish-green foliage which emerges yellow in spring. The small serrated oval leaves turn an outstanding coppery-bronze in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Golden Glitter Spirea is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a shapely form and gracefully arching branches. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, 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, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Golden Glitter Spirea is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Golden Glitter Spirea will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

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