Edo Shibori Bush Clover

Lespedeza thunbergii 'Edo Shibori'



Edo Shibori Bush Clover flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Description:

This attractive compact shrub is covered with two-tone pink and white flowers from late summer into fall, atop blue-green foliage; a versatile plant for tough locations, may be grown as herbaceous perennial by cutting back to ground in early spring

Ornamental Features

Edo Shibori Bush Clover is smothered in stunning racemes of hot pink pea-like flowers with white overtones at the ends of the branches from late summer to early fall. It has attractive bluish-green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves are highly ornamental and turn an outstanding yellow in the fall.



Edo Shibori Bush Clover in bloom
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Landscape Attributes

Edo Shibori Bush Clover is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a mounded form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

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 has no significant negative characteristics.

Edo Shibori Bush Clover is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Retail Locations

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Planting & Growing

Edo Shibori Bush Clover will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 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 fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in poor soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Edo Shibori Bush Clover makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.