## Maiden's Blush Lilac
### *Syringa x hyacinthiflora 'Maiden's Blush'*

Height:  12 feet

Spread:  9 feet

Sunlight:  ○

Hardiness Zone:  2a

Other Names:  Hyacinth-Flowered Lilac
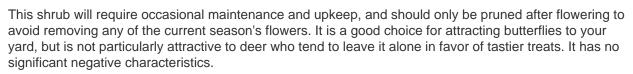
Group/Class:  Early Flowering Lilac

### Description:

An exceptional spring blooming lilac with overwhelmingly fragrant pinkish-purple flowers in upright panicles; compact, multi-stemmed habit, very hardy, limited suckering, good as a low hedge; full sun and well-drained soil, somewhat susceptible to disease

### Ornamental Features

Maiden's Blush Lilac features showy panicles of fragrant shell pink flowers rising above the foliage in early spring, which emerge from distinctive pink flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has bluish-green deciduous foliage. The heart-shaped leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

### Landscape Attributes

Maiden's Blush Lilac is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer 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.

Maiden's Blush Lilac is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Maiden's Blush Lilac flowers*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*



*Maiden's Blush Lilac in bloom*
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- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

**Planting & Growing**

Maiden's Blush Lilac will grow to be about 12 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 9 feet. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 3 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium 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.