

Botanical Name: Abelia grandiflora 'Francis Mason'

Common Name: Variegated glossy abelia

Type of Plant: dicot; shrub Character semi-evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape arching, spreading plant with a small, graceful structure,
young leaves bright yellow, becoming darker with age

Height 2-4 ft. Spread 2-4 ft. Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun to part shade - variegation more pronounced in sun

Soil tolerates most any soil

Hardiness hardy - all zones

Morphology:

Leaves simple pinnate, opposite, to 1 1/2" long, young foliage
is bright yellow with bronze cast; older foliage becomes darker

Flowers spring-fall, tubular 1/2" diameter - pale pink to
lavender, bracts narrow, pinkish red

Fruit small capsule, rare

Propagation: semi-hardwood cuttings

Usage: filler, accent, mass plantings - excellent contrast to
darker, denser and more massive plants - good in small landscapes

Landscape Care:

Watering likes regular watering

Fertilizing balanced in spring

Pruning head back long, arching branches at base - do not shear

Pests/Diseases scale

Special Conditions

Origin: cultivar Family: Caprifoliaceae