

Botanical Name: Abelia grandiflora

Common Name: Glossy abelia

Type of Plant: dicot; shrub Character semi-deciduous

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape upright to spreading, large mounded canopy, many thin  
stems arching outwards -- stems dark red

Height 4-8' (10') Spread equal Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full/partial sun

Soil moist, well-draining loam

Hardiness hardy (zones 5-24)

Morphology:

eaves pinnate, opposite, ovate, 1-2" long, serrate, dark, glossy  
green above, paler beneath

Flowers pinkish white, bell-shaped, 5 lobed corolla, calyx mostly  
4 pale bronze sepals, mostly terminal racemes -- summer through fall

Fruit tiny capsule -- rarely seen

Propagation: semihardwood cuttings

Usage: large filler, informal hedge for its profuse display of  
flowers, screen, barrier

Landscape Care:

Watering needs average water

Fertilizing balanced in spring, plus iron

Pruning selectively head back, DO NOT SHEAR, prune in winter/spring

Pests/Diseases relatively free

Special Conditions

Origin: China Family: Caprifoliaceae