

Plant "Imagination"

Golden Lights Hardy Azalea

Botanical Name: Rhododendron 'Golden Lights'

The **Golden Lights Azalea** is an outstanding, cold-hardy variety and withstands harsh temperatures down to -30 degrees F! Sturdy, upright branches are covered with large, orange-yellow buds that open up to 1 1/2-in. bright yellow bloom trusses in late spring.



The attractive dark green foliage turns various shades of red during the autumn months. Does best in full sun to partial shade. 3-5 ft. tall shrub has good resistance to mildew, pests and disease.

Zones 4-8

Hardy azalea bred for Northern areas, developed for bud hardiness in Minnesota to survive rough Winters and has successfully proven to be very hardy. Branches are covered with large orange-yellow buds that open to bright yellow bloom trusses each Spring with a light fragrance.

PLANT CHARACTERISTICS:

Somewhat rounded growth habit. Plant loses it's foliage in Winter.

Blooms: Late Spring to early Summer for 2 to 3 weeks.

Flower Form: 1 1/2 inch flowers appear in trusses of up to 12.

Soil Requirements: Well-drained, humus enriched, acidic soil. 4.0 to 5.5 pH.

Growth Rate: Moderate growth rate.

Pruning: Prune to shape and remove dead wood after flowering and before new flower buds form in mid-Summer.