

## Buddleia madagascraensis

### (Butterfly-Bush, smoke bush)

Evergreen shrub from Madagascar with a high potential to be invasive. The plant can reach 2-3 m, with a roundish or upright form. It is able to climb if there is support. The leaves are very similar to B. davidii, greenish gray on the top and white on the bottom. The flowers are yellow arranged on a long stalk. It attracts butterflies and bees. It's a very fast growing plant growing on full or partial sun and in any good soil. Good as a screen, or hedge.



Plant Image

#### Landscape Information

**Pronunciation:** bud-LEE-uh mad-uh-gas-KAR-ee-EN-sis

**Plant Type:** Shrub

**Origin:** Madagascar

**Heat Zones:**

**Hardiness Zones:** 9, 10, 11

**Uses:** Hedge, Wildlife

#### Size/Shape

**Growth Rate:** Fast

**Tree Shape:** Round

**Canopy Symmetry:** Irregular

**Canopy Density:** Dense

**Canopy Texture:** Medium

**Height at Maturity:** 3 to 5 m

**Spread at Maturity:** 1.5 to 3 meters

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### Botanical Description

#### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Opposite

**Leaf Venation:** Pinnate

**Leaf Persistence:** Semi Evergreen

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** 10 - 20

**Leaf Shape:** Linear

**Leaf Margins:** Serrate

**Leaf Textures:** Smooth

**Leaf Scent:** No Fragrance

**Color(growing season):** Blue-Green

**Color(changing season):** Brown

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#### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** True

**Flower Color:** Yellow

**Seasons:** Spring, Fall

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#### Trunk

**Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage:** Generally resists breakage

**Number of Trunks:** Multi-Trunked

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#### Fruit

**Fruit Showiness:** False

**Fruit Size Range:** 0 - 1.5

**Fruit Colors:** Blue

**Seasons:** Spring, Fall

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### Horticulture Management

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#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** No

**Drought Tolerant:** No

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Clay, Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Alkaline

**Water Requirements:** Moderate

**Light Requirements:** Full, Part

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#### Management

**Invasive Potential:** Yes

**Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** Yes

**Pruning Requirement:** Needed, to develop a strong structure

**Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** No

**Surface Rooting:** No

**Life Span:** Less than 25

**Edible Parts:**

**Pests:** Mites, Caterpillars

**Plant Propagations:** Seed, Cutting

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