



**Vinho Verde<sup>®</sup> Weigela**  
*Weigela florida* 'SMNWFBGV'

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 5

**Description:**

There is nothing quite like this selection, which features lime green leaves with bold, black margins, on a tidy habit; produces a light crop of pink flowers in late spring that attracts hummingbirds; a great accent for general garden use; needs full sun

**Ornamental Features**

Vinho Verde Weigela features showy clusters of pink trumpet-shaped flowers along the branches from late spring to early summer, which emerge from distinctive red flower buds. It has attractive lime green foliage edged in black with hints of burgundy. The pointy leaves are highly ornamental but do not develop any appreciable fall color.

**Landscape Attributes**

Vinho Verde Weigela is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

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 hummingbirds 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.

Vinho Verde Weigela is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Vinho Verde Weigela foliage*  
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## **Planting & Growing**

Vinho Verde Weigela will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. It has a low canopy, 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 prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Vinho Verde Weigela makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.