



Monji Plant Profile

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Pink Abelia *Abelia chinensis*

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<u>Hardiness</u>	<u>Exposure</u>	<u>Soil</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Height</u>
Zones 4-24	Best in sun, will tolerate some shade	Acidic to neutral as long as it well drained	Regular watering	Pink tinted white flowers	5 feet tall

Although this is not a "new" plant, it is rarely seen in gardens, possibly because its cousin, *Abelia x grandiflora*, is considered more cold hardy. The J. C. Raulston Arboretum describes this shrub as attracting more butterflies than any other plant in the Arboretum. In mid-summer, large fragrant trusses of creamy-white flowers bend stems into graceful curves; butterflies nectar wildly. Grows 5 to 8 feet in full sun and well-drained soils. Prune in early spring; winter-hardy as far north as the Brooklyn Botanic Garden. Not native. Bloom period: Summer