

## **Honeysuckle**

*(Lonicera tatarica)*

A favorite in northern climates, the honeysuckle is an upright-growing, dense, twiggy plant that reaches 8 to 10 feet in height. Its vigorous growth makes it ideal for screening and hedging. Very tiny flowers of pale pink or red in mid-spring create a flush of color over blue-green leaves. In early summer, miniature-size berries of red form and last until eaten by the birds.

**Soil:** Any type

**Light:** Full sun to part shade. The growth is less dense in shade.

**Zone:** 4

### **Comments**

Although relatively disease- and insect-free, honeysuckles require very frequent pruning to thin out twiggy branches. Popular varieties include Arnold Red, Grandiflora, Alba, Modern Orange, Virginalis, Rosea, Sibirica, Zabeli.