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Box-leaved honeysuckle

Lonicera pileata

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This description is for **Box-leaved honeysuckle** (*Lonicera pileata*):

A dense, luscious evergreen shrub, *Lonicera pileata* is a popular, ground-covering option in gardens where informal-looking hedging and garden screens are fancied. Commonly called the box-leaved honeysuckle, its thick foliage is made up of long stems, boasting dozens of pairs of glossy, grey-green almost diamond-shaped leaves. In spring, it produces clusters of tubular, white blossoms, which eventually give way to small, globular blue-black berries in autumn. Box-leaved honeysuckle grows best in moist but well-drained soil, and in full sun. As an evergreen, its lush appearance remains year-round, but in very cold winters it becomes semi-evergreen. Light pruning after flowering is needed to maintain shape.



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Plant	Environment	Usage
Known dangers? yes	Acidity Acidic Neutral Alkaline	Standard category Trees & shrubs Shrubs
Dangers: comments Avoid eating its berries, or risk having mild stomach upset.	Hardiness zone Z5-9	Grown for Attractive Flowers
Height [m] 0.5 - 1	Heat zone H9-5	Creative category For Beginners Colours Bonsai Neighbour repellant For every season

Plant	Environment	Usage
Spread [m] 2.5	Winter temperatures [°C] -29 - -1	Garden type Cottage garden Coastal
Dominant flower colour White	Heat days 30 - 150	Garden spaces Banks and slopes Ground cover Hedges and screens
Flower Fragrance No, neutral please	Moisture well-drained	Gardening expertise beginner
Flowering seasons Late spring	Soil type sandy Clay chalky loams	Time to reach full size up to 20 years
Foliage in spring Green	Sun requirements Full sun Partial shade	
Foliage in summer Green	Exposure Exposed Sheltered	
Foliage in Autumn Green		
Foliage in winter Green		
Propagation methods seed		
Growth habit Bushy Spreading		