

## Asian Bush Honeysuckle (s)

*Lonicera macckii*, *Lonicera morrowii*, *Lonicera tatarica*, *Lonicera x bella*



Hoosier Heartland RC&D

Mature Height	15 + feet	Soil Type	All
Mature Spread	12 + feet	Flower Color	White turning yellow
Mature Form	Rounded Shrub	Foliage Color	Shiny Green
Growth Rate	Rapid	Fall Color	Green till November
Sun Exposure	Shade tolerant		
Soil Moisture	Moist to dry		

Prolific fruiter. Fruit or berry turns from green to black to red/orange as it matures and is high in carbohydrate which is detrimental to migratory birds. Migratory birds need high protein and high fat diets to prepare for long migratory flights. Has an allelopathy effect on other plants causing understory plants to die out resulting in total domination of a site by the honeysuckle.. Does not host native insects reducing available food for birds. Grows profusely along roads often creating traffic hazards especially at intersections. Fairly easy to pull small plants growing in moist soil due to shallow root system. Cutting stems low to ground and treating stumps with a systemic herbicide like glyphosate, triclopyr or picloram is the most common treatment to eliminate the plant. Control is a long term project due to seed in the ground and the spread of seed by wildlife.



Spring Blossoms



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Fall Fruit



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