

BUDDLEIA Silver Anniversary ('Morning Mist')

Origin: Selected by Peter Moore, curator of National Buddleia Collection in England.

Species: *Buddleia crispa* x *loricata*.

Protection Status: US PP #17,332; COPF Open

Characteristics:

'**Silver Anniversary**' has intensely silver leaves and highly scented white flowers which have no viable pollen. In 2003 it continued flowering from August to Christmas in the UK. To date the breeder has failed to set any seed on '**Silver Anniversary**'. A stronger grower than *crispa* or *loricata*, the silver is more intense than both its parents. A great contrast plant in the landscape complementing the perennials in any herbaceous border. Another use would also be as a first class foliage plant for the cut flower trade. If the stems are spliced at the base, it remains fresh in water 7-10 days.

Hardiness: Zone 7, likely colder but needs testing.

Bloom: Highly scented white flowers

Foliage: Intensely silvered leaves

Habit: Compact if hard pruned each spring. Will grow to about 4–5 feet in a year.

Propagation: Softwood cuttings. *License required for propagation.*

Culture: Hard prune in early spring. Similar to other Buddleia.

