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BUSH HONEYSUCKLE

Diervilla lonicera

Suckering densely branched shrub with fragrant, brightly colored tube-like flowers, attractive to hummingbirds and butterflies.

Benefits for Wildlife

- Pollinators include native bumblebees, leafcutter bees, sweat bees, and hummingbird moths
- Sturdy shelter for ground-nesting birds
- Browsed by deer

Host to 3 caterpillar species:
(common names) Snowberry clearwing;
Laurel sphinx; Harris's Three Spot

Benefits for People

- Pretty flowers; uniquely small shrub for tight, dry locations
- Full range of colors, from green in spring, to yellow and orange in summer, and red and purple in fall

Growing Information

<i>Sunlight</i>	Full sun to full shade
<i>Soil Type</i>	Dry, well-drained, drought tolerant
<i>Height</i>	1-3'
<i>Width</i>	3-5'
<i>Flowering calendar</i>	June to August

Natural Habitat

- Dry, sandy forest floor

