**Common Lilac**  
*Syringa vulgaris*

- **Plant Characteristics**: A medium to large hardy shrub with stout, spreading branches developing a somewhat oval to irregularly rounded crown. Spreads by suckering. Showy fragrant flowers.

- **Size**: Height: 8—15’  
  Width: 6—12’

- **Foliage**: Dark green to almost bluish leaves.

- **Flower**: White to purple, a variety of colors.

- **Fruit**: Woody Capsule.

- **Soil**: Best soil is one close to neutral.

- **Tolerances**: Drought tolerant.

- **USDA Hardiness Zone**: Zone 3 to 7

- **Light Range**: Full sun 🌞

- **pH Range**: 5.5—8.0 pH

- **Other**: This plant is attractive to bees, butterflies and/or birds.
  - Root system is shallow and dense.
  - Used for windbreaks, shrub borders, groupings and highway beautification.
  - Little value for fruit or browse but may have value for nesting by songbirds.
  - Powdery mildew can be a problem, good air circulation reduces the problem.
  - Does not tolerate poorly drained soils.