Shrubs to be Pruned after Blooming

The best time to prune these shrubs that bloom on year-old wood is just after the blossoms have faded. Then the shrub will grow new branches and form the flower buds that will bloom the following year. For example, if you prune your azaleas in February, you'll have no blooms come springtime, because their buds grew on the wood you're cutting off. (And please bear with us: these lists may tend to ignore the distinctions between shrubs, small trees, and even vines and groundcover-type plants.)

Akebia

Amelanchier (shadblow)

Azalea

Benzoin (spice bush)

Berberis (barberry)

Buddleia alternifolia (butterfly bush)

Calycanthus floridus (sweet shrub, strawberry shrub)

Caragana (Siberian pea)

Celastrus (bittersweet)

Cercis (Judas tree, redbud)

Chaenomeles (flowering quince)

Chionanthus (white fringe)

Cornus (dogwood, without berries)

Cotinus coggyria (smoke tree)

Crataegus oxyacantha (English hawthome)

Cydonia (Japanese quince)

Cytisus (broom)

Daphne (garland flower)

Deutzia

Exochorda (pearlbush)

Forsythia (goldenbell)

Hydrangea hortensia

Jasminum (jasmine)

Kalmia (laurel)

Kerria japonica (Japanese rose)





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Shrubs to be Pruned after Blooming cont.

Kolwitzia amabilis (beautybush)

Lonicera fragrantissima (bush honeysuckle)

Magnolia

Philadelphus (mock-orange)

Physocarpus (ninebark)

Pieris (andromeda)

Potentilla (cinquefoil)

Prunus (flowering almond, cherry, plum)

Rhododendron

Ribes (flowering currant)

Rosa

Spiraea (bridal wreath)

Spiraea thunbergii

Spiraea van Houtei

Syringa (lilac)

Tamarix (spring-flowering)

Viburnum carlesi, V. lantana (snowball)

Viburnum opulus (highbush cranberry)

Weigela

