

# Osmanthus fragrans



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<b>Botanical Name:</b>	Osmanthus fragrans
<b>Common Names:</b>	Sweet Osmanthus,
<b>Native:</b>	No
<b>Foliage Type:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Plant Type:</b>	Hedging / Screening, Shrubs
<b>Plant Habit:</b>	Dense, Rounded, Upright

### Description:

An attractive perennial shrub with large, dark green foliage. Throughout summer and autumn it is covered in masses of dainty, creamy white, sweet fragrant flowers. The flowers are used add sweetness and flavour to Asian tea's and cakes. Needs some protection from extreme heat, a partially shaded position is best. Ideal for use as a hedging plant, container specimen or within garden beds where the scent can be enjoyed.

<b>Mature Height:</b>	2-4m	<b>Position:</b>	Full Sun, Semi Shade
<b>Mature Width:</b>	1-2m	<b>Soil Type:</b>	Any, Well Drained

**Landscape Use(s):** Borders / Shrubbery, Courtyard, Feature, Foliage Feature / Colour, Formal Garden, Fragrant Garden, Hedging / Screening, Park And Gardens, Topiary / Espalier, Container / Pot

### Pest & Diseases:

Generally trouble free

### Cultural Notes:

Grows best in good quality soils with high amounts of organic matter. Whilst establishing will require protection from extreme weather and the hot summer sun. Lightly prune after flowering, if making a formal hedge more frequent tip pruning will be required. Plant at 1m spacings for a hedge or screen. Apply fertiliser at the beginning of spring.

### Plant Care:

Annual slow release fertiliser, Keep moist during dry periods, Liquid feed, Mulch well

<b>Family Name:</b>	Oleaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Asia
<b>Characteristics:</b>	
<b>Foliage Colours:</b>	Green
<b>Flower Colours:</b>	Cream, White
<b>Flower Fragrant:</b>	No
<b>Flowering Season:</b>	Autumn, Summer
<b>Fruit:</b>	Yes
<b>Requirements:</b>	
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow
<b>Maintenance Level:</b>	Medium
<b>Water Usage:</b>	Medium / Moderate
<b>Tolerances:</b>	
<b>Drought:</b>	Low
<b>Frost:</b>	Moderate
<b>Wind:</b>	Moderate

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