Dwarf Male Japanese Skimmia

Skimmia japonica 'Dwarf Male'

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ◐

Hardiness Zone: 6

Description:

A smaller male variety with glossy green narrow leaves and panicles of sweetly fragrant white-pink flowers in spring; excellent for low borders and containers

Ornamental Features

Dwarf Male Japanese Skimmia features showy clusters of fragrant white flowers with pink overtones at the ends of the branches in mid spring. It has attractive dark green evergreen foliage. The glossy narrow leaves are highly ornamental and remain dark green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Dwarf Male Japanese Skimmia is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a mounded form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Dwarf Male Japanese Skimmia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



Dwarf Male Japanese Skimmia flowers
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Dwarf Male Japanese Skimmia foliage
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Planting & Growing

Dwarf Male Japanese Skimmia will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It has a low canopy. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This shrub should be grown in a location with partial shade. Keep it away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Dwarf Male Japanese Skimmia makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.



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