Romantic Night Mockorange

Philadelphus x lemoinei 'Romantic Night'

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

A beautiful, arching shrub absolutely smothered in highly fragrant, large white flowers in early summer, fades into the background the rest of the year, best used in a composition with other plants that can take over in summer; adaptable and easy to grow



Romantic Night Mockorange flowers
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Romantic Night Mockorange in bloom
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Ornamental Features

Romantic Night Mockorange is draped in stunning clusters of fragrant white flowers with yellow eyes at the ends of the branches in late spring. It has green deciduous foliage. The serrated oval leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Romantic Night Mockorange is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a shapely form and gracefully arching branches. 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 is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Romantic Night Mockorange is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Romantic Night Mockorange will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. 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 type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.