Sweet Michelia Magnolia

Magnolia doltsopa

Height: 40 feet

Spread: 25 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 8

Other Names: Temple Magnolia, Michelia doltsopa

Description:

This attractive, fast growing tree has lustrous semi-evergreen leaves and creamy-white, flowers that bloom in spring; large, open magnolia-like flowers are showy with a very sweet fragrance



Sweet Michelia Magnolia flowers
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Ornamental Features

Sweet Michelia Magnolia features showy fragrant creamy white flowers along the branches from mid winter to mid spring. It has dark green foliage with grayish green undersides. The glossy pointy leaves remain dark green throughout the winter.



Sweet Michelia Magnolia flowers
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Landscape Attributes

Sweet Michelia Magnolia is a multi-stemmed evergreen tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Sweet Michelia Magnolia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade
- Hedges/Screening

Planting & Growing

Sweet Michelia Magnolia will grow to be about 40 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 25 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 4 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is particular about its soil conditions, with a strong preference for rich, acidic soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone over the growing season to conserve soil moisture. This species is not originally from North America.



Sweet Michelia Magnolia in bloom
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