Goldfinger Mexican Mock Orange

Choisya ternata 'Goldfinger'



Goldfinger Mexican Mock Orange foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 6

Other Names: Mockorange

Description:

A compact, rounded evergreen shrub with narrow, bright yellow to light green young foliage; clusters of small, white, fragrant flowers appear in spring, and sometimes again in late summer; great as an accent, or hedging

Ornamental Features

Goldfinger Mexican Mock Orange is smothered in stunning cymes of fragrant white star-shaped flowers at the ends of the branches in mid spring. It has attractive light green evergreen foliage which emerges yellow in spring. The fragrant narrow leaves are highly ornamental and remain light green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Goldfinger Mexican Mock Orange is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a more or less rounded 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 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.

Goldfinger Mexican Mock Orange is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Goldfinger Mexican Mock Orange 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 medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. 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 not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selection of a native North American species.