Double Flowering Evergreen Mockorange

Philadelphus mexicanus 'Double Flowering'



Double Flowering Evergreen Mockorange
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Height: 15 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 9

Other Names: Mock Orange, syn. P. mexicanus Plena

Description:

A climbing, evergreen shrub covered in lovely, rose scented double white blooms in late spring, then sometimes in fall; may be allowed to clamber up trellises, fences, and garden walls, or may be used as a large, mounded landscape groundcover

Ornamental Features

Double Flowering Evergreen Mockorange is clothed in stunning fragrant nodding double white frilly flowers with gold anthers along the branches from late spring to mid summer. It has dark green evergreen foliage which emerges light green in spring. The textured pointy leaves remain dark green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Double Flowering Evergreen Mockorange is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen woody vine with a twining and trailing habit of growth. 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 woody vine will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Double Flowering Evergreen Mockorange is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Double Flowering Evergreen Mockorange will grow to be about 15 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. As a climbing vine, it tends to be leggy near the base and should be underplanted with low-growing facer plants. It should be planted near a fence, trellis or other landscape structure where it can be trained to grow upwards on it, or allowed to trail off a retaining wall or slope. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This woody vine 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. This plant will benefit from an application of bonemeal and/or mycorrhizal fertilizer at the time of planting. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.