Marmalade Mussaenda

Mussaenda 'Marmalade'



Marmalade Mussaenda flowers
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Height: 4 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 10

Other Names: Buddah's Lamp, Virgin Tree

Description:

A beautiful, colorful shrub presenting fabulous orange-yellow flowers from spring to fall, over handsome dark green, glossy foliage with ridged surfaces; perfect for patio pots or as an accent plant for bright indoor areas

Features & Attributes

Marmalade Mussaenda features showy clusters of yellow tubular flowers with gold overtones and orange calyces at the ends of the branches from mid spring to mid summer. Its attractive large textured oval leaves remain forest green in color throughout the year.

This is a multi-stemmed evergreen houseplant with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture stands it apart from other indoor plants with finer foliage. This plant may benefit from an occasional pruning to look its best.

Planting & Growing

When grown indoors, Marmalade Mussaenda can be expected to grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years. This houseplant will do well in a location that gets either direct or indirect sunlight, although it will usually require a more brightly-lit environment than what artificial indoor lighting alone can provide. It does best in average to evenly moist soil, but will not tolerate standing water. The surface of the soil shouldn't be allowed to dry out completely, and so you should expect to water this plant once and possibly even twice each week. Be aware that your particular watering schedule may vary depending on its location in the room, the pot size, plant size and other conditions; if in doubt, ask one of our experts in the store for advice. It will benefit from a regular feeding with a general-purpose fertilizer with every second or third watering. It is not particular as to soil type or pH; an average potting soil should work just fine.

There are many factors that will affect the ultimate height, spread and overall performance of a plant when grown indoors; among them, the size of the pot it's growing in, the amount of light it receives, watering frequency, the pruning regimen and repotting schedule. Use the information described here as a guideline only; individual performance can and will vary. Please contact the store to speak with one of our experts if you are interested in further details concerning recommendations on pot size, watering, pruning, repotting, etc.

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