

Botanical Name: Philadelphus coronarius

Common Name: Sweet mock orange

Type of Plant: dicot; shrub Character deciduous

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape vigorous, upright plant with fountain-like form of  
slender, woody branches

Height 8' - 10' Spread equal Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun; part shade in hottest summer areas

Soil tolerates most any soil

Hardiness hardy (zones 1-17)

Morphology:

Leaves ovate to ovate-oblong, to 3" long, hairy only on veins  
beneath; opposite

Flowers creamy, to 1 1/2" across, very fragrant, in racemes of  
5-7 flowers; calyx is usually glabrous; June

Fruit capsule

Propagation: seed, layers, suckers, softwood cuttings

Usage: low screen, informal hedge, foundation plant, for flowers  
and fragrance

Landscape Care:

Watering regular watering; thrives with lawn watering

Fertilizing balanced in spring

Pruning after bloom prune oldest wood and surplus shoots at base

Pests/Diseases relatively free

Special Conditions

Origin: Southern Europe Family: Philadelphaceae