

# Gardenia augusta White Gold

Common Name Gardenia

**Height** , Miniature Growing (up to 1.5m), Low Growing (1.5 - 2m)

**Spread** , Narrow (up to 1m), Medium (1 - 2m)

Growing Conditions Deep Shade, Full Sun, Low Maintenance, Low Water Use, Part Shade, Tolerates

Light Frost, Well Drained

#### **Profile**

White Gold is a new form of Gardenia similar in habit to Magnifica. The large and abundant white flowers age to a rich golden yellow giving a striking two tone appearance against the large deep green foliage. Perfect for a position in sun or shade, and once established is tolerant of a wide range of conditions including heat, frost and drought.

Gardenia White Gold can be grown Australia wide. It is drought hardy once established and tolerant of both heat and frost.

#### Uses

Large containers, Fragrant hedges, Feature shrub, Massed planting, Bird Attracting, Borders, Containers, Exotic, Fragrance, Hedging, Scented Flowers, Shade, Shrubs, Standard, Topiary

## **Planting**

Full sun or part shade

Gardenias prefer a rich, well drained soils with a neutral to slightly acidic pH. Heavy soils should be improved with organic matter prior to planting. Raised beds are recommended for very heavy clay soils.

All Gardenias require good drainage. They are intolerant of very heavy or waterlogged soils

Space 80cm apart for a hedge or border.

Planting holes should be approximately twice the size of the pot to be planted and back filled with soil that has been enriched with organic matter. Make sure that the rootball sits no lower than the surrounding soil. Water deeply after transplanting.

### Care

Although drought hardy plants will benefit from regular water during the first 3-6 months after planting out.

Deep watering is best to encourage a strong root system. Soil should be kept moist but not waterlogged.

Mulching is beneficial to reduce moisture loss from the soil and to protect surface roots from extremes of temperature. Mulch should be around 10cm deep but kept 5cm-10cm away from the stem.

Gardenia White Gold requires no pruning to maintain a neat shape, however if a more formal shape is desired, light pruning after flowering is all that is required.

Gardenias should be fed during spring and summer using a good quality complete fertiliser.

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