

Magnolia hybrid Princess Cinderella

Common Name Michelia

Height , Tall (Taller than 3.0m)

Spread , Medium (1 - 2m)

Growing Conditions Drought Tolerant, Full Sun, Low Maintenance, Tolerates Dryness, Well Drained

Profile

So many flowers you can hardly see the leaves! Cinderella is an evergreen tidy shrub, flowering in winterspring and short bursts again in summer. Flowers are creamy white, lightly perfumed and contrast beautifully with the deep green leathery foliage. Can be grown as a small tree to 5m but is easily maintained as a 2-3m screen or hedge.

Uses

Large containers, Medium to tall hedges, Informal screening, Feature tree, Containers, Evergreen Tree, Fragrance, Hedging, Ornamental Tree, Scented Flowers, Screening, Shrubs, Standard, Topiary

Planting

Full Sun

Grows best in well drained soils. For clay soils use raised beds with plenty of organic matter added.

Good drainage is essential for growing Princess Magnolias

Space plants 80cm - 1m apart for a hedge or border.

Dig planting hole approximately twice the size of the pot to be transplanted, adding organic matter to poor or clay soils will be necessary. Place plant into the hole ensuring that surrounding soil is no higher than the existing root ball and backfill with soil. Water well and apply mulch.

Care

Although drought hardy once established Princess Magnolias require regular deep watering for the first 3-4 months until established.

Mulching will help to retain moisture levels in the soil and protect surface roots from extremes of temperature. Mulch layer should be 10cm deep and kept 10cm away from the base of the plant to help ensure adequate airflow around the stem.

Lightly prune in early spring for shape if required.

Can be cut back very hard (removing up to 2/3 of the entire plant) if required for reducing plant size or rejuvenation.

Fertilise with a good quality complete fertiliser in spring and summer.

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