

Camellia sasanqua White Ribbon

Common Name	Camellia Sasanqua	
Height	, Medium Growing (2 - 3m)	A.
Spread	, Medium (1 - 2m)	
Growing Conditions	Drought Tolerant, Frost Tolerant, Full Sun, Moderate Watering, Part Shade, Tolerates Dryness	

Profile

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A beautiful camellia producing masses of brilliant pink buds, that open into single pure white flowers, dense glossy green foliage and vigorous upright growth habit. Large, single, white blooms provide a stunning display over the autumn months. White Ribbon is the perfect choice for medium hedges or for patio displays in large containers.

Paradise camellias will grow Australia wide, they are tolerant of light frosts and heat. But may need some protection in extreme conditions.

Uses

Medium hedges, Informal borders, Container displays, Feature plant, Containers, Hedging, Screening, Shrubs

Planting

Full sun or light shade

Camellia sasanqua prefer a well drained acid soil. They will not tolerate waterlogged soil and heavy soils should be improved with plenty of organic matter prior to planting.

Good drainage is essential. Heavy or clay soils will require raised beds and addition of organic matter to improve drainage conditions.

Space plants 70cm apart for a hedge or border.

With heavy, clay or very poor soils add organic matter to the area prior to planting.

Dig your hole approximately twice the size of the pot being transplanted.

Backfill around your plant with loose soil ensuring that the top of the root ball is sitting level with the surrounding ground.

Water deeply and apply mulch.

Care

Paradise camellias are drought tolerant once established, however regular deep watering is needed for the first 3-6 months. Soil should be moist but not waterlogged.

Mulching will help to protect surface roots from extremes of temperature and also help to maintain moisture levels in the soil. The mulch layer should be applied 10cm thick and kept 5cm - 10cm away from the base of the plant to ensure adequate air flow around the stem of the plant.

Light pruning once a year after flowering is often all that is needed to keep sasanquas neat. However if more formal shapes or hedges are desired more pruning may be necessary. Be aware that trimming off spring growth will remove the next seasons flowers.

Feed only in spring and summer using a good quality complete fertiliser.

To view the extended profile for this variety follow <u>http://www.paradiseplants.com.au/Plants/Plant.aspx?plant_id=683</u>.