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## **Variegated Mock Orange** *Pittosporum tobira 'Variegatum'*

Height: 10 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: 7b

Other Names: Japanese Pittosporum

### **Description:**

A beautiful variegated variety that may eventually reach ten feet high and wide without pruning; emerging foliage is yellow gold, maturing to dark green with white variegation; perfect for a hedge or screen

### **Ornamental Features**

Variegated Mock Orange has attractive white-variegated dark green foliage which emerges chartreuse in spring. The glossy oval leaves are highly ornamental and remain dark green throughout the winter. Neither the flowers nor the fruit are ornamentally significant.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Variegated Mock Orange is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a more or less rounded form. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which can make it a great accent feature on this basis alone.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and can be pruned at anytime. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Variegated Mock Orange is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



*Variegated Mock Orange foliage*  
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## Planting & Growing

Variegated Mock Orange will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. It has a low canopy, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.



*Variegated Mock Orange flowers*  
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