

LIGUSTRUM 'SUNSHINE'

Ligustrum sinense 'Sunshine'

NOTE: Patented Plant PP#20,379: Propagation Restrictions Apply



Characteristics

- Type: Woody Shrub
- Zone: 6-10
- Height: 3-6 feet
- Spread: 3-4 feet
- Bloom: Does not bloom
- Foliage: Bright yellow
- Sun: Full Sun
- Water: Medium
- Soil: Well drained
- Maintenance: Low
- Tolerates: Heat and drought once established

Culture

Ideal as a hedge in the landscape, 'Sunshine' Ligustrum offers year-round golden foliage that flourishes in full sun. This sterile, non-invasive cultivar will not re-seed into the landscape. In fact, it doesn't bloom at all, which is good news for allergy sufferers. This particular privet thrives in full sun and has moderate water needs. It likes moist, well-draining soil and a bit more water when the temps rise. To bring out even more of its bright yellow foliage, occasional pruning is needed. Pruning this *Ligustrum* is more for shape, though. It doesn't need the careful, regular shearing of other privet selections, which are speedy, aggressive spreaders

Noteworthy Characteristics

'Sunshine' Ligustrum is non-invasive. While privet has a reputation for being smelly and growing like a weed, this particular selection of *Ligustrum sinense* is easier to corral. Plus, it doesn't flower. This privet has all the hedging capabilities and visual interest of its *Ligustrum* relatives, maybe even more, thanks to its bright yellow foliage, with none of the odor or invasive sprawl. It's a privet that won't cause a headache for you *or* your garden. 'Sunshine' cannot tolerate soggy feet. The bush can adapt to most well drained soils. Water frequently to help the plant get established. After that the plant is quite drought and heat tolerant. Add mulch to the base of the shrub to help maintain moisture to the soil, and help protect shallow roots from harsh weather conditions

Problems

It is also very hardy and easy to care for, but it cannot tolerate soggy feet

Garden Uses

Accent, Container, Hedge, Mass Planting.