



Emerald Goddess Gardens

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Botanical Name	Jasminum sambac
Common Name	Arabian Jasmine Maid of Orleans
Mature Size	6' x 4'
Plant Family	Oleaceae
Bloom Color	White
Bloom Period	Perpetual
Boom Form	7-9 Petaled Single
Water	Moderate until established
Light	Full sun to light shade
USDA Zone	9-11 – Root Hardy in Zone 8
Fragrance	Intense
Uses	Mixed Beds, Potted Culture
Special Features	Intense Fragrance



Sambac or Arabian Jasmine has been cultivated for centuries, so long, in fact, that it's origins have been lost.

Although Asia and India are the most likely native habitats. It is an easy and rewarding plant to grow.

There are more than 200 species of true jasmines. Of these '**Maid of Orleans**' is among the best known and easiest to grow. It is a scrambling bush with vining tendencies that will reach a mature size of over 6 feet in height if left to its own devices. However, **Maid of Orleans Jasmine** is not a highly aggressive grower, so it is easy to maintain at lower heights if desired.

Waxy, snow white flowers are about 1 to 2 inches in diameter and are intensely fragrant and are present almost continuously in warm climates.

The dried flowers are used by the Chinese to flavor tea, and are a favorite for leis and garlands. It is the National Flower of the Phillipines.

For the best results with **Arabian Jasmine 'Maid of Orleans'**:

- Plant in well draining slightly acidic soil.
- Maintain uniform moisture, but take care not to over water.
- Prune lightly for shape after flowering
- Feed a good quality slow release plant food in the spring.
- Protect from frost and freeze.

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Care of Your New Plant

Here are a few basic guidelines for handling and caring for your new plant:

Direct planting of 4 inch starter size plants or plugs directly into the landscape is not recommended, with a few exceptions. So, for the best results with your new plant we suggest that it be repotted into a larger pot and allowed to grow larger until the new pot is filled with roots before setting out.

Check the recommended USDA Zone Range for the plant. Many gardeners are able to successfully grow plants outside their recommended Zones, but this is dependent upon providing the type of environment and care the plant needs.

- Immediately repot the new plant into a 6 inch to 10 inch diameter pot (a 6 inch pot is the recommended size for starter plugs) that can drain easily and thoroughly.
- Use a good quality commercial potting media.
- Apply a high quality, slow release plant food according to the label directions. Do not use hot, all chemical fertilizers like 6-6-6 or 10-10-10.
- Locate so that the plant can receive direct, full spectrum light for several hours daily, but is protected from hot, direct afternoon sun.
- Maintain consistent and uniform moisture in the soil. Take care not to over water.
- Packing crystals may be reused to conserve water, but do so with caution as they hold 6000 times their weight in water.
- If reusing the crystals, mix and incorporate them thoroughly throughout the potting media.
- Be sure the pot can drain and that the bottom of the pot does not sit submerged in water for more than a few hours.
- Supplement feed with a water soluble plant food every 2-3 weeks according to the label directions.
- Prune or pinch lightly and often when the plant is young and actively growing to strengthen the central stalk and encourage branching and build uniform shape.
- Monitor for signs of disease or insects and treat accordingly.
- Protect from frost and freeze, as even cold tolerant plants can be damaged by cold, and tropicals will perform better, flower earlier, and live longer within their Zone Range when protected from cold temperatures.

Many tropical and subtropical plants can be grown as potted plants indefinitely, and can be successfully wintered over indoors in colder climates, so long as they are moved indoors well ahead of temps into the 30°F's, are maintained in warm environment (minimum 40°F) with adequate, full spectrum light, consistent soil moisture is maintained, and any pest or disease issue are promptly and properly addressed.

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