



Your Ideal Garden

GARDENING MADE EASY

Your Ideal Philoteca 'Gold Touch'

"This amazing evergreen shrub has showy, green and gold variegated leaves that have a zesty fragrance that's similar to the aroma of one of our favourite tipples, gin and tonic. But that's not all - its foliage is smothered with small, fragrant white flowers during spring"

On arrival

Unpack plants immediately upon delivery, carefully lifting them out of the box by their pots. Place in a cool, light spot outside and water if compost seems dry. Don't worry about planting straight away. These plants can be left in their containers until planting is convenient, as long as you keep compost damp.

Where to grow

These shrubs like a sunny or lightly shaded position with moist, but well-drained soil. Plants are perfect in woodland gardens, winter-interest beds display, mixed borders or set close to windows or entrances, where you can fully appreciate their scent. Another option is to raise them in containers.

Planting in the ground

As they are fully hardy, these shrubs can be planted at any time, as long as the ground isn't frozen or waterlogged. Planting is super easy.

- Dig a round hole that's about twice the diameter of the container and the same depth.
- Place in the centre of the hole and fill gaps with soil, firming down as you go to remove air pockets.
- After planting, the top of the rootball should be level with the surface.

Growing in pots

Start these plants off in 20cm (8in) wide pots filled with good quality compost (our Professional Compost is ideal). The following year after planting, move them into slightly larger pots.

Aftercare

- After flowering, trim back any wayward branches that spoil the shape of plants.

- Get plants off to a flying start in spring by feeding with a general-purpose fertiliser.

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Position Sun or light shade

Flowering time Late spring

Height 1.2m (4ft)

Spread 1.2m (4ft)

Soil Moist, but well-drained

Hardiness Fully hardy

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