## **Stonegate Gardens**

## **Summer Sunset Asian Jasmine**

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# Summer Sunset Asian Jasmine Trachelospermum asiaticum 'Summer Sunset'

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 24 inches Spacing: 10 inches

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

#### **Description:**

An interesting evergreen climber with with variegated leaves in shades of green, orange, red and gold; clusters of fragrant, creamy white flowers compliment the nice foliage in late spring; great for lightly shaded woodland areas

#### **Ornamental Features**

Summer Sunset Asian Jasmine features showy clusters of fragrant creamy white flowers at the ends of the stems from mid spring to early summer. Its attractive glossy oval leaves emerge coppery-bronze in spring, turning dark green in color with showy gold variegation and tinges of red the rest of the year.



Summer Sunset Asian Jasmine foliage Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Summer Sunset Asian Jasmine is an herbaceous annual with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting birds, bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Summer Sunset Asian Jasmine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

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#### **Planting & Growing**

Summer Sunset Asian Jasmine will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 10 inches apart. Although it's not a true annual, this plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in partial shade to shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. 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. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Summer Sunset Asian Jasmine is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.