

# Pearls on Buddha's Head Sweet Tea Olive



## *Osmanthus fragrans* 'Fundingzhu'

- **Use:** This new cultivar is remarkable for its large, fragrant bloom clusters. It flowers so heavily that the blossoms totally encircle the branches, and the leaves seem to emerge from the large bunches of white fragrant flowers. . It also performs well as a container plant if grown in good light with cooler temperatures during the winter months. 'Fundingzhu' translates to "pearls on Buddha's head." The heady fragrance and magnitude of flower clusters will make 'Fundingzhu' one of your favorite plants.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers full sun to part sun. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Good drainage and moderate moisture.
- **Growth:** Sweet Olive can grow up to 6 feet high and 10-12 feet wide, but easily pruned to keep even shorter! This plant is great for use as a small tree, espalier, or screen.
- **Hardiness:** **Zone** 7-10 shrub, small tree
- **Foliage:** Evergreen shrub with broad upright growth and has dark green finely toothed foliage.
- **Flower:** Unlike the standard *Osmanthus fragrans*, a mature shrub of 'Fundingzhu's' flowers are large enough to be seen from several hundred feet away! Flowers from September to April. Followed by bluish black fruit.

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