

# Laura Lee Japanese Mock Orange



The greens of *Pittosporum tobira* are commonly used as filler in flower arrangements because they are long-lasting and pretty.

## *Pittosporum tobira* 'Lauralee'

- **Use:** A very compact habit, slow growth rate and beautiful blotchy variegated foliage set 'Lauralee' apart from the others. Japanese mock orange is a large broadleaf evergreen shrub native to eastern Asia. Its thick branches bear dense whorls of large, glossy, leathery, oval leaves
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers full sun to part shade. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry to start. Little water needed once established. Must have well drained soil. Sandy and salty soil tolerant.
- **Growth:** Moderate grower to 3 feet high and wide. Does not like extreme pruning. Only a 1-2 " pruning at a time.
- **Hardiness: Zone** 7-9, Shrub
- **Foliage:** Evergreen. Variegated green leaves have a creamy yellow border.
- **Flower:** . Terminal clusters of creamy white, bell-shaped, sweetly fragrant flowers appear in spring, followed by orange pea-sized fruit that opens to reveal red seeds.