

Satsuma Mandarin Tree



* Seedless Fruit
* Cold Tolerant
* Insect and Disease Resistant

Citrus unshiu

- **Use:** This fruit is native to Japan and is known for its loose, leathery skin that's easy to peel. It's very sweet and juicy, even when green, and has 10–12 segments with tough membranes. The flesh is delicate and can't handle rough handling so it's a real treat for home gardeners to grow and not as easy to find at the store. Satsumas are also more cold hardy (but likely still need to come indoors in winter in our zone 8) and have broader leaves than other tangerines and clementines.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Always hungry citrus need a lot of fertilizer. Good draining soils are a must for citrus.
- **Growth:** Even though it can reach 7-10 feet in height, while grown in a container. Minor pruning necessary to keep it a preferred shape and size.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 8b/9a-11; Still recommend you bring indoors in winter when temps below 50 degrees.
- **Foliage:** Evergreen, glossy green foliage.
- **Flower:** Its flowers are a delicate white bloom, and their fragrance will carry easily to the bees and butterflies who will love to stop by for a visit.
- **Fruit:** The fruit starts to ripen in late fall and it's usually ready for harvest in early winter. Medium-size, deep orange fruit that are seedless, sweet and juicy with easy-to-peel skin.

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