## Calamodin Tree \$28.00



Calamondin oranges are not commonly grown commercially, so you will not likely

find them in your local

- grocery
- store. Buy a Calamondin orange tree
- and enjoy this beautiful plant and unique fruit!

## Citrus × microcarpa (Citrus x citrofortunella mitis)

- <u>Use:</u> This is the perfect plant to accent your patio or sunroom -with the bonus of citrus fruit. Enjoy attractive green leaves, beautiful white blossoms, and orange-scented flowers. The Calamondin oranges are a vibrant yellow orange, and the tree can produce fruit year-round. Potted Calamondin trees should be brought indoors during winter months.
- **<u>Exposure/Soil</u>**: Full sun. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Always hungry citrus need a lot of fertilizer. Soil drainage is very important.
- <u>Growth</u>: Grown in the ground, these citrus trees can reach six to ten feet tall, but are not reliably cold hardy in our zone 8. In a garden pot, the tree's height will be reduced by the size of the pot.
- *Hardiness:* Zone 8b-11; Must be grown indoors in winter if you want fruit.
- *Foliage*: Evergreen, glossy green foliage.
- <u>Flower:</u> 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. This is a self-pollinating variety, so outdoor trees will produce fruit by natural means. Indoor trees can be pollinated by hand using a small paintbrush.
- *Fruit*: Calamondin oranges look like small oranges. They are slightly sour, making them more like limes and lemons in taste and use. The peels are edible, and the fruit is often eaten whole. Calamondin oranges contain fiber, potassium, vitamin C, and vitamin A. The orange fruit is prized in marmalades. Bakers enjoy using Calamondin oranges in recipes to replace lemons or limes, such as bars, tarts, and cookies.