

Fran Mathis Camellia



Camellia japonica 'Fran Mathis'

- **Use:** Every southern garden must include a winter showy camellia. An ideal beginner's plant, the easy-care camellia is covered year-round with broad and glossy toothed leaves.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers sheltered site, sunny or shade, and any well drained neutral/acid soil. Camellias grow best in partial shade -- they do not like early morning or late afternoon sun. Red blooming cultivars are more sun tolerant than white or pink flowering cultivars. In the winter camellias need protection from direct sun and drying winds. A planting site under tall pine trees or on the north or west side of a building is ideal. Plants grown in full sun may develop leaf scorch. Its best to not fertilize the first growing season and over fertilization causes plant to be less compact.
- **Growth:** Medium upright growth. Mature height 12ft -15ft, width 8ft - 10ft. Spacing: 6ft for solid hedges; 12-14ft+ for space between plants
- **Hardiness:** Zone 7a-10b, Shrub
- **Foliage:** Evergreen. Glossy dark green leaves.
- **Flower:** The large, champagne pink double flowers with yellow tipped stamens of the Fran Mathis Camellia are a sight to behold. Each double bloom has a dainty golden-yellow crown of stamens reaching out from the center that add to the appeal of this variety. Excellent for cutting and use in indoor floral displays or float just one flower in a bowl of water.



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