

# Tokyo Tower Chinese Fringetree



**We love the unusual, fragrant blossoms on this hard to find narrow tree!**



## ***Chionanthus retusus* 'Tokyo Tower'**

- **Use:** A remarkably beautiful upright columnar form of the Chinese Fringe Tree, 'Tokyo Tower' is a great selection for tighter spots where space is limited. Four-seasons of beauty recommend this small tree. Upright branches are smothered in clouds of white flowers in spring. Glossy dark green leaves of summer turn bright golden yellow in autumn and are accented by small blue-black fruits. Golden-tan exfoliating bark lends winter interest to its narrow winter silhouette. Use as a narrow hedge of trees or as an individual specimen.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun /partial shade, Prefers well-draining soil and appreciates slow release fertilizer. Water when top 3 in of soil is dry.
- **Growth:** Moderate growth of 12-15' tall and 3-5' width if pruned, but if unpruned could grow to 20' tall and 10' wide over 15 years.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 6a-9b; Small Tree
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Glossy, handsome, ovate, dark green leaves that turn vibrant yellow shades in the fall. As it ages polished brown bark begins to exfoliate revealing shades of tan to gold that provide winter interest in the garden.
- **Flowers:** Heavily clothed in spring with abundant clusters of fragrant, fluffy, snow-white flowers. The flowers give way to attractive blueberry-like berries.

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