

## Citrus japonica

### (Kumquat)

Citrus japonica is a small slow-growing evergreen shrub. Its fruit closely resembles that of the orange, but it is much smaller. The kumquat can be cold hardy. The flowers are very similar to the orange or lemon flowers but the fruit is much smaller and can be eaten without peeling. From all the citruses kumquat is the one flowers and fruits the latest in season. The autumn cool temperature helps the fruit to sweeten. It prefers a partly sunny location.



Plant Image

#### Landscape Information

**French Name:** Kumquat

**Arabic:** البرتقال الياباني أو البرتقال الذهبي أو الكمكوات  
**Name**

**Pronunciation:** SIT-rus juh-PON-ih-kuh

**Plant Type:** Tree

**Origin:** South Asia

**Heat Zones:** 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

**Hardiness Zones:** 9, 11, 12

**Uses:** Bonsai, Indoor, Container, Edible

#### Size/Shape

**Growth Rate:** Slow

**Tree Shape:** Upright

**Canopy Symmetry:** Irregular

**Canopy Density:** Medium

**Canopy Texture:** Medium

**Height at Maturity:** 1.5 to 3 m

**Spread at Maturity:** 1.5 to 3 meters

**Time to Ultimate Height:** 10 to 20 Years

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Flower Image

## Botanical Description

### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Alternate

**Leaf Venation:** Pinnate

**Leaf Persistence:** Evergreen

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** 5 - 10 cm

**Leaf Shape:** Oblanceolate

**Leaf Margins:** Entire

**Leaf Textures:** Glossy

**Leaf Scent:** Pleasant

**Color(growing season):** Green

**Color(changing season):** Green

### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** True

**Flower Size Range:** 1.5 - 3

**Flower Type:** Solitary

**Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)

**Flower Scent:** Pleasant

**Flower Color:** White

**Seasons:** Spring, Summer

### Trunk

**Number of Trunks:** Single Trunk

**Trunk Esthetic Values:** Smooth, Spines

### Fruit

**Fruit Type:** Hesperidium

**Fruit Showiness:** True

**Fruit Size Range:** 3 - 7

**Fruit Colors:** Orange

**Seasons:** Spring, Summer

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### Horticulture Management

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#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** Yes

**Heat Tolerant:** No

**Drought Tolerant:** Yes

**Salt Tolerance:** Moderate

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Clay, Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

**Water Requirements:** Moderate

**Light Requirements:** Full, Part

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#### Management

**Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** Yes

**Pruning Requirement:** Little needed, to develop a strong structure

**Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** No

**Surface Rooting:** No

**Life Span:** 25-50 years

**Edible Parts:** Fruit

**Pests:** Mites, Scales, Whitefly

**Plant Propagations:** Seed, Cutting

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