

Fatsia japonica

(Fatsia)

This plant is mainly grown for its outstandingly attractive foliage. Fatsia has huge, 30 cm wide leaves that are deeply lobed and slightly serrated. Flowers are white in a clustered and followed by black fleshy fruit. Flowering season is in fall. Likes slightly acid, compost-rich soil which should not dry out. Plant responds well to fertilizer which helps it look its best. Likes shade or partial shade. Fatsia is a good patio plant and as a shade plant.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Fatsie du Japon, Aralie du Japon

Pronunciation: FAT-see-uh juh-PAW-nick-uh

Plant Type: Shrub

Origin: Japan

Heat Zones: 8, 9, 10

Hardiness Zones: 8, 9, 10, 11

Uses: Specimen, Mass Planting, Container, Wildlife

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Moderate

Tree Shape: Round

Canopy Symmetry: Symmetrical

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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Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Alternate

Leaf Venation: Palmate

Leaf Persistence: Evergreen

Leaf Type: Simple

Leaf Blade: 20 - 30

Leaf Shape: Star

Leaf Margins: Serrate

Leaf Textures: Waxy

Leaf Scent: Unpleasant

Color(growing season): Green

Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: True

Flower Size Range: 7 - 10

Flower Type: Capitulum

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: Pleasant

Flower Color: White

Seasons: Fall

Trunk

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Generally resists breakage

Number of Trunks: Multi-Trunked

Trunk Esthetic Values: Not Showy

Fruit

Fruit Type: Berry

Fruit Showiness: True

Fruit Size Range: 0 - 1.5

Fruit Colors: Black

Seasons: Fall

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Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: No

Heat Tolerant: Yes

Drought Tolerant: No

Salt Tolerance: Good

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Shade

Management

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No

Pruning Requirement: No pruning at all

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Surface Rooting: No

Life Span: Less than 25

Diseases: Powdery Mildew

Edible Parts: None

Pests: Scales

Plant Propagations: Seed, Cutting

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