Chardonnay Pearls® Deutzia

Deutzia gracilis 'Duncan'

Chardonnay Pearls Deutzia in bloom
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Height: 3 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Other Names: Slender Deutzia

Description:

Buds like little white pearls open to fragrant clusters of white mockorange-like flowers in early summer; golden-lime leaves glow in the garden and steal the show the rest of the season

Ornamental Features

Chardonnay Pearls Deutzia is draped in stunning racemes of lightly-scented white trumpet-shaped flowers along the branches from mid to late spring. It has attractive chartreuse deciduous foliage which emerges gold in spring. The serrated pointy leaves are highly ornamental but do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Chardonnay Pearls Deutzia is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a high maintenance shrub that will require regular care and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Chardonnay Pearls Deutzia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

Chardonnay Pearls Deutzia flowers
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- *Mass Planting*
- *Hedges/Screening*
- *General Garden Use*
- *Container Planting*

Chardonnay Pearls Deutzia foliage
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Planting & Growing

Chardonnay Pearls Deutzia will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Chardonnay Pearls Deutzia makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.