

Star jasmine



The *Trachelospermum jasminoides* is native to Japan, Korea, China, Laos, Thailand and Vietnam. Evergreen woody vine with a vigorous growth, it shows pubescent stems and petioles, the leaves are oblong or elliptic, long up to about 8 cm and up to 3 cm broad, of a glossy dark green colour. The inflorescences, which appear in spring-early summer, are axillar, on a long peduncle and carry white stellar flowers of about 2,5 cm of diameter, intensely perfumed. The fruits are follicles long up to about 36 cm, with a diameter of 0,5 cm, containing numerous seeds provided of a tuft of hair suitable to favour their dispersal. Usually, it reproduces by semi-woody cutting in summer, marcot and ground layering. Very diffused climber, particularly in the areas with temperate and cold-temperate climate, due to its resistance to low temperatures, up to -12°C, the luxuriant foliage and the intensely perfumed blossoming. It is to be cultivated preferably in full sun for getting a copious flowering, and is not particular in soil, even if it prefers rich ones, sandy and well drained maintained rather humid; the adult plants can bear long periods of drought. All the parts of the plant, which has had a certain role in the traditional Chinese medicine, contain potentially toxic substances.

Category: Outdoor flowering plants

Families: Apocynaceae

Genus: Trachelospermum

Species: jasminoides

Geographical Area of Origin: South-East Asia / Asia, Indian subcontinent

Climatic Zones: Mediterranean: South and islands, hills. USDA 10 a

Habit: Shrub-climber

Leaves: Evergreen

Colore Foglie: Verde

Flowering Period: Febbraio / Marzo / Aprile / Maggio / Giugno

Flower: Raceme

Colore Fiori: Bianco

Favorite soil: Neutral / Middle-Dough / Medium soil



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Water needs: Medium

Light Exposure: Medium shade / Half shade / Full light / Full sun

Form: Wired on stick / Plant on cane / Pyramid

Colore Frutti: Marrone 

Parfumed: yes