

Eurya Growing Guide

Growing Eurya Japonica

With us this is a small evergreen tree or shrub notable only for the disgusting odour of its flowers which can be compared to the worst that a tomcat could produce when marking his territory. On no account cut the flowers and bring them indoors!

Our three original trees were from a Chinese introduction and are all slightly different. They have long toothed and glabrous leaves. The flowers are white and produced singly or in small clusters from the leaf axils. Quite insignificant until you actually smell them. Black fruits appear in the autumn which are larger than the flowers and very attractive to birds.

Having done my utmost to put you off this plant I can now introduce you to a new addition to our catalogue which is not at all unpleasant! Eurya japonica 'Moutiers' is a dense, dwarf evergreen plant which would be suitable as a low hedge. It is very floriferous with flowers that are much larger and more pronounced than our much older tree forms. They do not pervade the air with an unpleasant smell either. Perfectly hardy, perhaps unusual, but with an amusing story to tell as its name implies!



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