

## *Osmanthus x Fortunei*

### Fortune's Osmanthus



*Osmanthus x fortunei* 3.5-4m Umbrella CG

*Osmanthus x fortunei* commonly known as 'Fortune's Osmanthus' is a hybrid *Osmanthus* that originates from Japan. *Osmanthus x fortunei* is a cross between *Osmanthus heterophyllus* (small, spiky leaves) and *Osmanthus fragrans* (large, leathery leaves) creating a small multistemmed tree with sharply serrated, deep green, glossy, leathery leaves.

Another feature of the *Osmanthus x fortunei* are the fragrant flowers. They appear mid to late autumn in clusters of small white blooms hidden amongst the leaves and branches. Their sweet fragrance recalling a mixture of orange blossoms and plums, wonderfully strong and refreshing for the autumn months.

*Osmanthus x fortunei* is a brilliant evergreen that works wonderfully as specimen multistems or can be used as an alternative to other evergreens for screening.

### Plant Profile

**Name:** *Osmanthus aquifolium*

**Common Name:** Holly Olive

**Family:** Oleaceae

**Height:** 4-8m

**Width:** 4-8m

**Demands:** Sheltered exposure, south or west facing, full to partial sun

**Soil:** Well drained soil and will tolerate most soil types

**Foliage:** Evergreen, Broad— ovate leaf

**Flowers:** White / Fragrant



*Osmanthus x fortunei* foliage



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*Osmanthus x fortunei* can be mistaken for Ilex (Holly) but Osmanthus have an additional feature that sets them apart. Their name is derived from Greek: Osme = Fragrance and Anthos = Flower.



*Osmanthus x fortunei* flowers



*Osmanthus x fortunei* 2.0-2.5m Umbrella CG