

# Jasmine

## **General Information:**

Jasmine Polyanthum is a climbing shrub that blooms with white, yellow or pink flowers in spring and summer. The flowers have a sweet, heady scent. The strong vines can be wound around a support. Jasmine is also quite easy to propagate.

## **Light:**

Jasmine requires lots of light and direct sunshine. For best blooms, 3-6 hours of sun is best.

## **Water:**

Water regularly all year round, and mist it every day in the summer. Allow soil to dry “slightly” between waterings.

## **Temperature:**

Jasmines prefer not to be in too high of a temperature (over 95°). Do not let winter temperature drop below 50°. In order for Jasmine to flower, the winter temperature should not be less than 60-65°. 72°-85° is best.

## **Soil:**

Use an airy and nourishing soil or good potting compost. Repot in the spring after flowering is over. Repot only every 2-3 years. They bloom better when slightly root bound.

## **Fertilize**

Add liquid plant food to water every two weeks from February through September. Use a 15-30-15 fertilizer.

## **Grooming:**

Jasmine grows very vigorously and should be cut back after it has flowered. You may also let it grow on a trellis in a sun room, with only light pruning each year. They can grow up to 6 feet or more in this fashion. Jasmines that are kept in a 6 inch pot will grow only 12-15 inches tall.