

Complete Guide to Growing Gardenia in Containers

Four Seasons- Kimura Shikazaki *Jasminoides "Four Seasons"*



Brief

This short cultivar is known for its long blooming season, lush compact growing habits and is tolerant to low temperatures. In southern gardens with mild winters 'Four Seasons' will provide blooms all year long

General	Characteristics	Growing
Family: Rubiaceae Native to Japan and southern China	Growth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short cultivar Compact- bushy 	Soil: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Well draining Low pH Organically rich
Growing Zone <ul style="list-style-type: none"> USDA 7-10 	Speed:	Light/Exposure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning sun and afternoon shade Shade tolerant
	Height	Temperature & Humidity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tolerates low temperatures Ideal 50-60F Hardy to sub-freezing 50% or higher humidity
Keys to Growing 1. <u>Fertilizer</u> - Gardenias are heavy feeders 2. <u>Sunlight</u> - Provide some shade during hottest part of the day 3. <u>Temperature</u> - likes cool weather 4. <u>Humidity</u> - prefers high humidity 5. <u>Water</u> - keep moist but not wet	Spread:	Water: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mesic Slightly moist but not wet
	Color & Shape: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leaves glossy green, dense, long and narrow 	Feed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Topdress in Spring and Summer Liquid feed @ ½ rate bi-weekly Reduce feeding during winter
	Flowers & Blooms	Plant: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Container Mass planting As a single specimen
	Season/Times: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring through fall Extremely long bloom season 	Maintenance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Easy to maintain
	Color: White Size: Big Shape: Double Loose Fragrance: Light	Pruning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trim slightly to shape Hard pruning in summer will reduce flowering in spring
Pests & Insects	Diseases & Pathogens	Nutrition Disorders
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spider Mites Mealybugs Scales Whitefly Aphids 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Root Rots Leaf spots Powdery Mildew Stem Cankers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Iron chlorosis