

Botanical name:
Genus: Citrofornella
Species: microcarpa

Common Name(s):
Mini Orange Tree

Latin Family Name: Rutaceae
English Family Name: Bedstraw

Citrofornella are a large group of commercial hybrids that cross the kumquat with other citrus

The plant

Origin; country or region: Has a long history of propagation in Asia as an ornamental plant and food flavoring

Growth habit: Bushy, evergreen tree or shrub

Flower description: Showy, fragrant

Fruit: Showy, edible

Blooming period/availability: Seasonal bloomer

Leaf/Foliage Description: Fragrant, evergreen

Usage : Ornamental fruit bearing plants

STRENGTHS/OPPORTUNITIES:

These compact-growing citrus trees make wonderful container specimens for patios, courtyards and swimming-pool surrounds They can be left to grow as shrubs or trained into standards with a rounded head on a clean stem

Other garden uses include specimen shrubs, boundary hedging, feature plants in formal herb gardens – or use them where an attractive evergreen plant is needed to make an impact

Would look beautiful at the entrance of a main door or in a driveway

WEAKNESS:

Need large space/containers

Prone to insects



x Citrofornella Microcarpa 'Variegata' has leaves that are variegated green with irregular cream and white markings and blotches

Care & Handling

Longevity: 5 years plus

Water requirements: Best with consistent and regular watering, but do let the plant should dry out between watering

Light: Best flowering occurs in full sun

Soil/Nutrition requirements: Regular application of organic fertilizers will keep the fruit coming

Special care/remarks: A good idea is to remove all the flower buds in the first year and allow the plant to grow

