

LITTLELEAF MOCK ORANGE



PHILADELPHUS MICROPHYLLUS

RELATIVELY LITTLE KNOWN, THIS FAST GROWING CALIFORNIA NATIVE SHRUB IS LOVELY IN SPRING WHEN ITS CLUSTERS OF 1", LIGHTLY SCENTED BLOSSOMS APPEAR. THE LACY, ARCHING OUTLINE OF THE 5-6' DECIDUOUS SHRUB FITS NICELY IN THE LANDSCAPE, EVEN WHEN OUT OF BLOOM. UNLIKE MANY OF ITS RELATIVES, LITTLELEAF MOCK ORANGE TOLERATES DROUGHT, REQUIRING SUPPLEMENTAL WATER ONLY A FEW TIMES DURING THE DRY FOOTHILLS SUMMER. GREAT FOR CLAY SOILS, DRY, SEMI-SHADED SLOPES, AND GROWING UNDER NATIVE OAKS, IT IS A CAREFREE SHRUB THAT IS SURE TO PLEASE BOTH YOU AND THE POLLINATORS AS ITS BLOSSOMS PROVIDE VALUABLE FORAGE FOR BOTH NATIVE BEES AND BUTTERFLIES. WILL GROW IN FULL SUN, BUT IS BEST IN PART SHADE IN HOT, DRY CLIMATES. THIS DELICATE BEAUTY IS AN UNDERUSED PLANT THAT IS EASY TO GROW.

USDA ZONES 3-9

PARTIAL SHADE

