

Rhododendron azalea satsuki x 'White Gumpo' (Gumpo White Azalea)

The White Gumpo Azalea is a Satsuki hybrid with large pure white lacy blooms in late spring. This low growing dwarf azalea is excellent for borders and containers. Lovely in a cottage or a woodland garden, the White Gumpo adds beauty and year-round interest. At only 1 to 2 feet tall and 3 to 4 feet wide at maturity, this petite azalea makes a unique and stunning groundcover. The White Gumpo Azalea is low maintenance and evergreen.



Plant Care: There is no need for pruning unless desired. This azalea will grow in all garden soil types. It does perform best in average to moist soil. This compact shrub prefers some shade. Spring and fall are ideal times to plant azaleas. However, if you avoid freezing and extremely hot temperatures, you can plant any time of the year. Full sun is likely to burn this azalea, especially in warmer climates. So look for a site that provides a balanced mix of shade and sun. Be sure your soil is well-drained and acidic. To improve drainage in something like a heavy clay soil, add compost and be sure to loosen up the soil well before planting. Fertilize in late winter or early spring with a slow-release fertilizer to give the upcoming blooms a boost. You don't need to prune this petite azalea, but pruning after it is done blooming can help encourage bushier growth and renew an older plant.

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