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*Ligustrum japonicum*

**JAPANESE PRIVET** is an evergreen shrub or tree. Native to Japan and Korea it has small, white flowers each with prominent stamens.

It is also known as *Aligustre* (Canary Island), Japanese tree privet, *Japansk Liguster* (Danish, Swedish), *Liguster* (German), *Ligustro* (Portuguese), *Ligustro Japania* (Esperanto), *Ptačí zob japonský* (Czech), *Troène du Japon* (French), and Wax privet.

Warning – the berries are considered poisonous.

*Japonicum* means ‘of or from Japan’.

The seeds have been used as a coffee substitute in some parts of Japan.