

Cestrum parqui

(Chilean jessamine, Willow-leaved Cestrum)

Willow leaved jessamine is a semi evergreen shrub, that tolerates drought conditions. It lives in well-drained, fertile soil (loam or sand), and prefers full sun.

The leaves are become mid to dark green when mature.Starting from summer until fall, flowers starts to appear on the branches, having a nice smell produced mainly at night. These flowers are transformed when pollinated into small brown berries.



Plant Image

Landscape Information
French Name: Cestrum
Pronunciation: SES-trum
Plant Type: Shrub
Origin: Chile
Heat Zones: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15
Hardiness Zones: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13
Uses: Specimen, Border Plant, Mass Planting, Container
Size/Shape
Growth Rate: Moderate
Tree Shape: Upright
Canopy Symmetry: Irregular
Canopy Density: Dense
Canopy Texture: Fine
Height at Maturity: 1.5 to 3 m
Spread at Maturity: 1 to 1.5 meters
Time to Ultimate Height: 10 to 20 Years

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Alternate

Leaf Venation: Pinnate

Leaf Persistence: Semi Evergreen

Leaf Type: Simple

Leaf Blade: 5 - 10 cm

Leaf Shape: Lanceolate

Leaf Margins: Entire

Leaf Textures: Glossy, Fine

Leaf Scent: Pleasant

Color(growing season): Green

Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: True

Flower Size Range: 1.5 - 3

Flower Type: Spike

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: Pleasant

Flower Color: Green, Yellow

Seasons: Spring, Summer, Fall

Trunk

Trunk Esthetic Values: Smooth

Fruit

Fruit Type: Berry

Fruit Showiness: True

Fruit Colors: Brown, Purple

Seasons: Spring, Summer, Fall

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

- Frost Tolerant: Yes
- Heat Tolerant: Yes
- Drought Tolerant: Yes

Requirements

- Soil Requirements: Loam, Sand
- Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral
- Water Requirements: Moderate
- Light Requirements: Full, Part

Management

- Toxity: Yes
- Invasive Potential: Yes
- Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No
- Pruning Requirement: Little needed, to develop a strong structure
- Edible Parts: None
- Plant Propagations: Cutting

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