

## Cinnamomum camphora

### (Camphor tree, Camphor laurel)

Cinnamomum camphora is a large evergreen tree. The essential oil 'camphor' is obtained from its leaves and twigs



Plant Image

#### Landscape Information

**French Name:** Camphrier

**Arabic Name:** الكافور

**Pronunciation:** sin-uh-MOE-mum kam-FOR-uh

**Plant Type:** Tree

**Origin:** Eastern Asia, Japan and Malaysia

**Heat Zones:** 8, 9, 10

**Hardiness Zones:** 8, 9, 10, 11

**Uses:** Screen, Shade, Medicinal, Wildlife, Street, Pollution Tolerant / Urban

#### Size/Shape

**Growth Rate:** Fast

**Tree Shape:** oval

**Canopy Symmetry:** Symmetrical

**Canopy Density:** Dense

**Canopy Texture:** Medium

**Height at Maturity:** 8 to 15 m

**Spread at Maturity:** Over 15 meters

#### Notes

Young leaves are reddish. Requires ample growing space.

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Flower Image

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## Botanical Description

### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Alternate

**Leaf Venation:** Pinnate

**Leaf Persistence:** Evergreen

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** 5 - 10 cm

**Leaf Shape:** Ovate

**Leaf Margins:** Entire

**Leaf Textures:** Glossy

**Leaf Scent:** Pleasant

**Color(growing season):** Green

**Color(changing season):** Green

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### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** False

**Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)

**Flower Scent:** Pleasant

**Flower Color:** White

**Seasons:** Spring

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### Trunk

**Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage:** Generally resists breakage

**Number of Trunks:** Single Trunk

**Trunk Esthetic Values:** Fissured

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### Fruit

**Fruit Type:** Drupe

**Fruit Showiness:** False

**Fruit Size Range:** 0 - 1.5

**Fruit Colors:** Brown

**Seasons:** Spring

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### Horticulture Management

#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** Yes

**Heat Tolerant:** No

**Drought Tolerant:** Yes

**Salt Tolerance:** Poor

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Clay, Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic, Neutral

**Water Requirements:** Moderate

**Light Requirements:** Full, Part

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#### Management

**Toxicity:** Yes

**Invasive Potential:** Yes

**Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** No

**Pruning Requirement:** Needed, to develop a strong structure

**Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** Yes

**Surface Rooting:** Yes

**Life Span:** More than 50

**Diseases:** Root rot

**Edible Parts:** None

**Pests:** Mites, Scales

**Plant Propagations:** Seed, Cutting

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Fruit Image



Bark Image



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