

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

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

Flower

Flower Showiness: False

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: Pleasant

Flower Color: White

Seasons: Spring

Trunk

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Generally resists breakage

Number of Trunks: Single Trunk

Trunk Esthetic Values: Fissured

Fruit

Fruit Type: Drupe

Fruit Showiness: False

Fruit Size Range: 0 - 1.5

Fruit Colors: Brown

Seasons: Spring

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes

Heat Tolerant: No

Drought Tolerant: Yes

Salt Tolerance: Poor

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, 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: 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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