

Chaenomeles speciosa

(Flowering Quince)

Chaenomeles speciosa is a deciduous shrub native to Japan and China. It is of most interest during flowering season rather than the rest of the year where it loses its appeal. It has an edible quince fruit that can be used as jam. The trunk is smooth and spiny. It has a wide range of uses from cutflowers to hedging, screening, windbreak, bonsai and topiary.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Cognassier splendide

Pronunciation: kee-NOM-uh-leez spee-see-OH-suh

Plant Type: Shrub

Origin: China, Japan

Heat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

Hardiness Zones: 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

Uses: Screen, Hedge, Topiary, Bonsai, Border Plant, Windbreak, Cut Flowers / Arrangements

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Moderate

Tree Shape: Round, oval

Canopy Density: Open

Canopy Texture: Medium

Height at Maturity: 1.5 to 3 m

Spread at Maturity: 3 to 5 meters

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Alternate

Leaf Venation: Pinnate

Leaf Persistence: Deciduous

Leaf Type: Simple

Leaf Blade: 5 - 10 cm

Leaf Shape: Ovate

Leaf Margins: Serrate

Leaf Textures: Smooth

Leaf Scent: No Fragrance

Color(growing season): Green

Color(changing season): Green, Brown, Red

Flower

Flower Showiness: True

Flower Size Range: 3 - 7

Flower Type: Cyme

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: No Fragrance

Flower Color: Red, White, Pink

Seasons: Spring

Trunk

Trunk Has Crownshaft: False

Number of Trunks: Multi-Trunked

Trunk Esthetic Values: Showy, Smooth, Spines

Fruit

Fruit Type: Pome

Fruit Showiness: True

Fruit Size Range: 3 - 7

Fruit Colors: Brown

Seasons: Summer

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes

Heat Tolerant: Yes

Drought Tolerant: Yes

Salt Tolerance: Good

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full, Part

Management

Invasive Potential: No

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: Yes

Surface Rooting: No

Diseases: Leaf Spots, Blights, Scab

Edible Parts: Fruit

Pests: Aphids

Plant Propagations: Seed, Cutting, Layering

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