Pithecellobium dulce

(Blackbead, Madras thorn)

Pithecellobium dulce is an everygreen tree native to USA that can reach up to 23 m height and 15 m spread at maturity. Its flowers are very small but showy. It can be found with single or with multiple trunks and can be used as an ornamental tree, street tree or hedge. It can be propagated by seed.



Landscape Information

French Name: Acacia a bracelets, Diabelle Pronounciation: pith-eh-sell-LOH-bee-um Plant Type: Tree Origin: USA Heat Zones: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 Hardiness Zones: 10, 11 Uses: Hedge, Shade, Street

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Moderate Tree Shape: Round Canopy Symmetry: Irregular Canopy Density: Medium Canopy Texture: Fine Height at Maturity: 15 to 23 m Spread at Maturity: 8 to 10 meters, 10 to 15 meters

Companion Plants: Prosopis pallida, Bursera sp., Ipomoea sp., Caesalpinia sp. Erythroxylon sp.

Plant Image

Pithecellobium dulce

(Blackbead, Madras thorn)



Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Alternate Leaf Venation: Pinnate Leaf Persistance: Evergreen Leaf Type: Palmately Compound Leaf Blade: 5 - 10 cm Leaf Margins: Lobate Leaf Textures: Glossy Leaf Scent: Color(growing season): Green Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: True Flower Size Range: 0 - 1.5 Flower Color: Green, White

Trunk

Trunk Has Crownshaft: False

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Generally resists breakage

Number of Trunks: Multi-Trunked, Single Trunk

Trunk Esthetic Values: Smooth, Colored

Fruit

Fruit Type: Loment Fruit Showiness: True Fruit Colors: Red, White

Pithecellobium dulce

(Blackbead, Madras thorn)



Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: No Heat Tolerant: Yes Drought Tolerant: Yes Salt Tolerance: Good

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline Water Requirements: Light Requirements: Full

Management

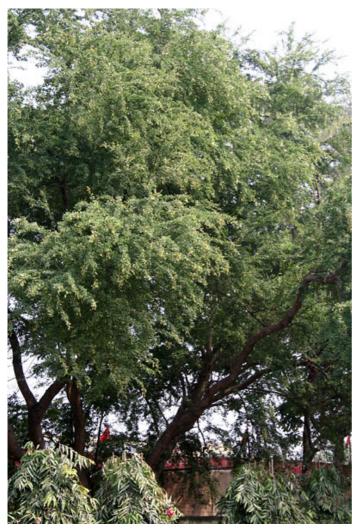
Toxity: No Invasive Potential: No Pruning Requirement: Little needed, to develop a strong structure Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No Surface Rooting: No Edible Parts: None Plant Propagations: Seed

MORE IMAGES





Fruit Image



Other Image