

Ficus carica

(Fig)

Edible fig is a small deciduous or semi evergreen large shrub. This ancient fruit was one of the earliest in cultivation, along with olives, pomegranates and dates. The plant originally is dioecious, meaning shrubs have either male or female flowers. By now many varieties are parthenocarp, which means does not need pollination to produce fruit. The leaves are large deeply lobed. It can grow well in any climate cold or hot, drought or wet. Prefers full sun. This easy-to-grow shrub offers a tropical look to temperate regions and makes a perfect edible addition to large garden spaces



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Figuier

Arabic Name: تين شائع

Plant Type: Shrub

Origin: Mediterranean

Heat Zones:

Hardiness Zones: 7, 8, 9, 10

Uses: Bonsai, Espalier, Specimen, Mass Planting, Container, Windbreak, Edible, Wildlife, Erosion control, Pollution Tolerant / Urban, Native to Lebanon

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Fast

Tree Shape: Round

Canopy Symmetry: Symmetrical

Canopy Density: Medium

Canopy Texture: Medium

Height at Maturity: 5 to 8 m

Spread at Maturity: 5 to 8 meters

Time to Ultimate Height: 5 to 10 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: 20 - 30

Leaf Shape: Oblong

Leaf Margins: Lobate

Leaf Textures: Leathery

Leaf Scent: No Fragrance

Color(growing season): Green

Color(changing season): Yellow

Flower

Flower Showiness: False

Trunk

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Suspected to breakage

Number of Trunks: Multi-Trunked

Trunk Esthetic Values: Not Showy

Fruit

Fruit Type: Multiple Fruit

Fruit Showiness: True

Fruit Size Range: 3 - 7

Fruit Colors: Green, Purple

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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

Water Requirements: Low

Light Requirements: Full

Management

Toxity: Yes

Invasive Potential: No

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No

Pruning Requirement: Needed, to develop a strong structure

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Surface Rooting: No

Life Span: 25-50 years

Edible Parts: Fruit

Plant Propagations: Cutting

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