

## 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

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#### 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

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#### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** False

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#### Trunk

**Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage:** Suspected to breakage

**Number of Trunks:** Multi-Trunked

**Trunk Esthetic Values:** Not Showy

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#### Fruit

**Fruit Type:** Multiple Fruit

**Fruit Showiness:** True

**Fruit Size Range:** 3 - 7

**Fruit Colors:** Green, Purple

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Leaf Image

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### Horticulture Management

#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** Yes

**Heat Tolerant:** Yes

**Drought Tolerant:** Yes

**Salt Tolerance:** Good

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#### Requirements

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

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic, Neutral

**Water Requirements:** Low

**Light Requirements:** Full

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#### 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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Fruit Image



Bark Image



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