

Acca sellowiana

(Feijoa, Guava, Feijoa, Pineapple Guava)

Feijoa is a gray-green evergreen shrub or tree which produces small, tasty fruit in late summer and early fall. The leaves are leathery, bit hairy fuzzy on the bottom. Edible flowers are fleshy with many scarlet to purple stamens and four cupped petals. The oval to pear-shaped fruit is green, occasionally with a rosy blush. Fruit is best when left to mature on the shrub then consume it. Pineapple guava is tolerant of most soils as long as it is well drained. Full sun is best for flower and fruit production, but the shrub grows very well in part shade. The plants can be pruned to form a hedge or a small tree and will withstand several degrees below freezing. It's also good as a specimen, fruit tree or container plants.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Feijoa, Faux goyavier

Pronunciation: fay-JOE-uh sell-oh-wee-AY-nuh

Plant Type: Shrub

Origin: Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay

Heat Zones: 9, 10, 11, 12

Hardiness Zones: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11

Uses: Screen, Hedge, Specimen, Container, Edible, Wildlife

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Moderate

Tree Shape: Spreading

Canopy Symmetry: Irregular

Canopy Density: Dense

Canopy Texture: Medium

Height at Maturity: 1.5 to 3 m

Spread at Maturity: 1.5 to 3 meters

Time to Ultimate Height: 10 to 20 Years

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Opposite

Leaf Venation: Pinnate

Leaf Persistence: Evergreen

Leaf Type: Simple

Leaf Blade: 5 - 10 cm

Leaf Shape: Ovate

Leaf Margins: Entire

Leaf Textures: Hairy

Leaf Scent: No Fragrance

Color(growing season): Green

Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: True

Flower Size Range: 1.5 - 3

Flower Type: Solitary

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: No Fragrance

Flower Color: Red, White

Seasons: Spring

Trunk

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Generally resists breakage

Number of Trunks: Multi-Trunked

Trunk Esthetic Values: Not Showy

Fruit

Fruit Type: Drupe

Fruit Showiness: True

Fruit Size Range: 3 - 7

Fruit Colors: Green, Yellow, Purple

Seasons: Spring

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes

Heat Tolerant: Yes

Drought Tolerant: Yes

Salt Tolerance: Good

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full, Part

Management

Invasive Potential: No

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No

Pruning Requirement: Needed, to develop a strong structure

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: Yes

Surface Rooting: No

Life Span: Less than 25

Edible Parts: Flower, Fruit

Plant Propagations: Seed, Cutting

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