Citrus limon
(Common Lemon)
Citrus limon small evergreen tree with a rounded habit and fragrant white flowers. A cross between Citrus × aurantium and Citrus medica. It prefers moist, sandy loam, acidic soils.

Landscape Information
French Name: Citronnier
Arabic Name: الليمون
Pronunciation: SIT-rus LEE-mon
Plant Type: Tree
Origin: Asia
Heat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
Hardiness Zones: 9, 10, 11
Uses: Container, Edible, Wildlife

Size/Shape
Growth Rate: Moderate
Tree Shape: Round
Canopy Texture: Medium
Height at Maturity: 5 to 8 m
Spread at Maturity: 3 to 5 meters
Notes
Its leaves emerge purple/green.
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### Botanical Description

#### Foliage
- **Leaf Arrangement:** Alternate  
- **Leaf Venation:** Pinnate  
- **Leaf Persistence:** Evergreen  
- **Leaf Type:** Simple  
- **Leaf Blade:** 5 - 10 cm  
- **Leaf Shape:** Ovate  
- **Leaf Margins:** Serrulate  
- **Leaf Textures:** Glossy  
- **Leaf Scent:** Pleasant  
- **Color (growing season):** Green

#### Flower
- **Flower Showiness:** True  
- **Flower Size Range:** 1.5 - 3  
- **Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)  
- **Flower Scent:** Pleasant  
- **Flower Color:** White  
- **Seasons:** Spring, Fall

#### Trunk
- **Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage:** Generally resists breakage  
- **Number of Trunks:** Single Trunk  
- **Trunk Esthetic Values:** Smooth, Spines

#### Fruit
- **Fruit Type:** Hesperidium  
- **Fruit Showiness:** True  
- **Fruit Size Range:** 10 - 20  
- **Fruit Colors:** Yellow  
- **Seasons:** Spring, Fall
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### Horticulture Management

#### Tolerance
- **Frost Tolerant:** Yes
- **Heat Tolerant:** No
- **Drought Tolerant:** Yes
- **Salt Tolerance:** Moderate

#### Requirements
- **Soil Requirements:** Loam, Sand
- **Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic, Neutral
- **Water Requirements:** Moderate
- **Light Requirements:** Full

#### Management
- **Toxity:** No
- **Invasive Potential:** No
- **Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** Yes
- **Pruning Requirement:** Little needed, to develop a strong structure
- **Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** Yes
- **Surface Rooting:** No
- **Life Span:** More than 50
- **Edible Parts:** Fruit
- **Pests:** Scales, Whitefly, Aphids, Mealy-Bug
- **Plant Propagations:** Grafting