

Hedychium coronarium

(Butterfly Ginger)

The Butterfly Ginger is one of the nicest gingers it's grown for its intensely enjoyable fragrant flowers; this herbaceous is native from the Himalayan foothills to Southeast Asia. Hundreds of flowers can appear in a 6-week period. But each one lasts about one day. The pure, white, showy flowers blooms in late spring through summer .The leaves are simple, large and borne on either side of the stems. If pollinated, the flowers give rise to orange ovular fruit that split to reveal orange and red seeds. It grows well in warm humid climate but It can resist cold. The rhizomes needs to be cover during cold months.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Hédychium

Pronunciation: hee-DICK-ee-um kor-oh-NAIR-ee-um

Plant Type: Groundcover

Origin: S.Asia, India, Nepal, China

Heat Zones: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15

Hardiness Zones: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13

Uses: Specimen, Border Plant, Mass Planting, Indoor, Container, Edible, Cut Flowers / Arrangements

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Fast

Tree Shape: Upright

Canopy Symmetry: Irregular

Canopy Density: Open

Canopy Texture: Coarse

Height at Maturity: 1 to 1.5 m

Spread at Maturity: 1 to 1.5 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: Linear

Leaf Margins: Undulate

Leaf Textures: Coarse

Leaf Scent: No Fragrance

Color(growing season): Green

Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: True

Flower Size Range: 1.5 - 3

Flower Type: Corymb

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: Pleasant

Flower Color: Yellow, White

Seasons: Summer, Fall

Trunk

Number of Trunks: Multi-Trunked

Trunk Esthetic Values: Not Showy

Fruit

Fruit Type: Capsule

Fruit Showiness: False

Fruit Size Range: 1.5 - 3

Fruit Colors: Orange, Red

Seasons: Summer, Fall

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes

Heat Tolerant: Yes

Drought Tolerant: No

Salt Tolerance: Poor

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Loam

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Part

Management

Invasive Potential: Yes

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Surface Rooting: No

Life Span: Less than 25

Edible Parts: Flower

Plant Propagations: Division, Rhizomes
