

## Cassia fistula

### (Golden-Shower)

Golden-Shower is a fast-growing tree that sheds most of its leaves to highlight the many pendent yellow strings of flowers in spring and summer.



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Plant Image

#### Landscape Information

**French Name:** Casse des boutiques

**Pronunciation:** KASS-ee-uh eck-SELL-suh

**Plant Type:** Tree

**Origin:** Southern Asia

**Heat Zones:** 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16

**Hardiness Zones:** 10, 11, 12, 13

**Uses:** Specimen, Shade

#### Size/Shape

**Growth Rate:** Fast

**Tree Shape:** Vase

**Canopy Symmetry:** Irregular

**Canopy Density:** Medium

**Canopy Texture:** Medium

**Height at Maturity:** 8 to 15 m

**Spread at Maturity:** 8 to 10 meters

**Time to Ultimate Height:** 10 to 20 Years

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Flower Image

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### Botanical Description

#### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Alternate  
**Leaf Venation:** Pinnate  
**Leaf Persistence:** Deciduous  
**Leaf Type:** Even Pinnately compound  
**Leaf Blade:** 10 - 20  
**Leaf Shape:** Oval  
**Leaf Margins:** Entire  
**Leaf Textures:** Smooth, Fine  
**Leaf Scent:** No Fragrance  
**Color(growing season):** Green  
**Color(changing season):** Green

#### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** True  
**Flower Size Range:** Over 20  
**Flower Type:** Raceme  
**Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)  
**Flower Scent:** No Fragrance  
**Flower Color:** Yellow  
**Seasons:** Summer

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#### Trunk

**Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage:** Suspected to breakage  
**Trunk Esthetic Values:** Showy

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#### Fruit

**Fruit Type:** Legume  
**Fruit Showiness:** True  
**Fruit Size Range:** 10 - 20  
**Fruit Colors:** Brown  
**Seasons:** Summer

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Leaf Image

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### Horticulture Management

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#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** No

**Heat Tolerant:** Yes

**Drought Tolerant:** Yes

**Salt Tolerance:** Moderate

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#### Requirements

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

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

**Water Requirements:** Moderate

**Light Requirements:** Full

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#### Management

**Toxity:** No

**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:** 25-50 years

**Edible Parts:** None

**Pests:** Caterpillars

**Plant Propagations:** Seed, Cutting

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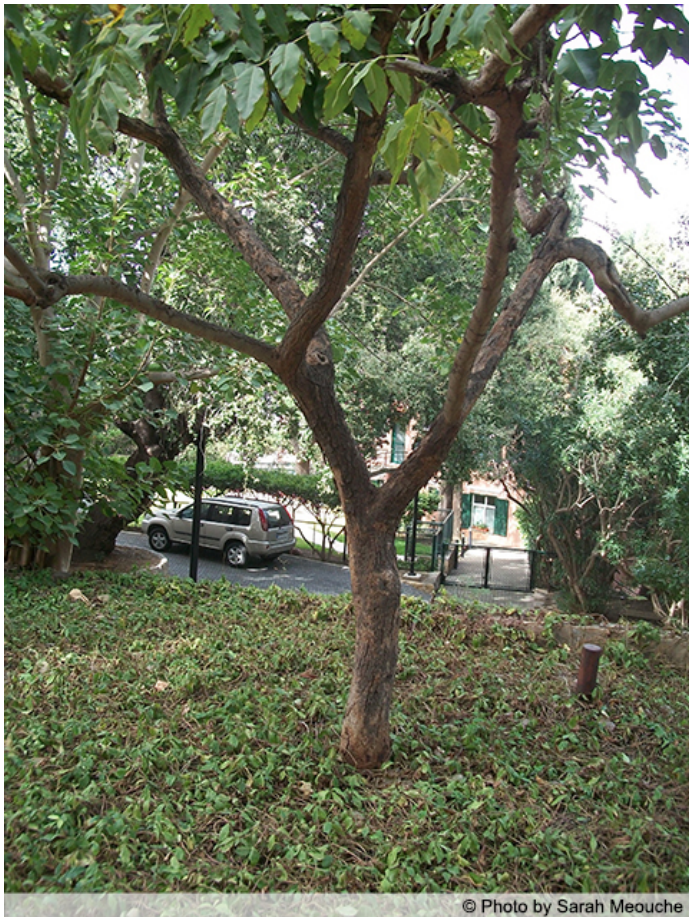


Fruit Image



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Bark Image



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