Bignonia capreolata
(Cross-vine)

Bignonia capreolata is a semi-evergreen fast-growing vine with shiny dark green leaves. It bursts in the spring with floral trumpets, then re-blooms until autumn. Its perfect for trellis, walls but needs support. Crossvine should be placed in a sunny location with good amount of water and well drained soil. The vine has invasive potential if not maintained well.

### Landscape Information

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<th>French Name:</th>
<th>Bignonia</th>
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<td>Pronunciation:</td>
<td>big-NO-ni-a KAP-re-oh-la-ta</td>
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<td>Plant Type:</td>
<td>Vine</td>
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<td>Origin:</td>
<td>South Africa</td>
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<td>Heat Zones:</td>
<td>5, 6, 7, 8, 9</td>
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<td>Hardiness Zones:</td>
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<td>Uses:</td>
<td>Screen, Hedge, Wildlife, Trellis</td>
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### Size/Shape

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<td>Canopy Texture:</td>
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<td>Height at Maturity:</td>
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<td>Time to Ultimate Height:</td>
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### Botanical Description

#### Foliage
- **Leaf Arrangement:** Opposite
- **Leaf Venation:** Brachidodrome
- **Leaf Persistence:** Evergreen
- **Leaf Type:** Even Pinnately compound
- **Leaf Blade:** 5 - 10 cm
- **Leaf Shape:** Lanceolate
- **Leaf Margins:** Entire
- **Leaf Textures:** Waxy
- **Leaf Scent:** No Fragance
- **Color (growing season):** Green
- **Color (changing season):** Green

#### Flower
- **Flower Showiness:** True
- **Flower Size Range:** 3 - 7
- **Flower Type:** Solitary
- **Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)
- **Flower Scent:** Pleasant
- **Flower Color:** Yellow, Orange, Red
- **Seasons:** Spring, Summer

#### Trunk
- **Number of Trunks:** Multi-Trunked
- **Trunk Esthetic Values:** Not Showy, Fissured

#### Fruit
- **Fruit Type:** Capsule
- **Fruit Showiness:** False
- **Fruit Size Range:** 3 - 7
- **Fruit Colors:** Brown
- **Seasons:** Spring, Summer
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**Tolerance**
- Frost Tolerant: Yes
- Drought Tolerant: No
- Salt Tolerance: Moderate

**Requirements**
- Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam, Sand
- Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline
- Water Requirements: Moderate
- Light Requirements: Full, Part

**Management**
- Toxity: No
- Invasive Potential: Yes
- Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No
- Pruning Requirement: Needed, to develop a strong structure
- Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No
- Surface Rooting: No
- Life Span: Less than 25
- Edible Parts: None
- Plant Propagations: Seed, Cutting