

Hibiscus syriacus

(Rose of Sharon)

It is a medium sized ornamental shrub with a 2 m height and 1-1.5 m spread at maturity. It has an oval or upright V shape. The leaves are 3-lobed medium green without significant fall color changes. It has continuous blooms often from July through September, and usually close at night with solid colors of white, red, purple, mauve, violet, or blue, or bicolors with a different colored throat, depending upon cultivar . It is used as a specimen, foundation, entranceway, row, or border shrub, or planted as a formal or informal hedge . The plant requires full sun, prefers moist well drained soil, but very adaptable to various soils, soil pHs, soil compaction, drought, heavy pruning, and pollution (and is therefore urban tolerant).



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Hibiscus syriacus

Pronunciation: hi-BIS-kus seer-ee-AK-us

Plant Type: Shrub

Origin: China, Japan

Heat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

Hardiness Zones: 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

Uses: Screen, Hedge, Mass Planting, Wildlife

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Moderate

Tree Shape: oval

Canopy Symmetry: Symmetrical

Canopy Density: Medium

Canopy Texture: Medium

Height at Maturity: 1.5 to 3 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: Deciduous

Leaf Type: Simple

Leaf Blade: 5 - 10 cm

Leaf Shape: Obovate

Leaf Margins: Serrate

Leaf Textures: Rough

Leaf Scent: No Fragrance

Color(growing season): Green

Color(changing season): Copper

Flower

Flower Showiness: True

Flower Size Range: 7 - 10

Flower Type: Solitary

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: No Fragrance

Flower Color: Yellow, Purple, Blue, White, Pink

Seasons: Summer, Fall

Trunk

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Suspected to breakage

Number of Trunks: Can be trained to one trunk

Fruit

Fruit Type: Capsule

Fruit Showiness: False

Fruit Size Range: 0 - 1.5, 3 - 7

Fruit Colors: Brown

Seasons: Summer, Fall

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes

Heat Tolerant: No

Drought Tolerant: Yes

Salt Tolerance: Poor

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full

Management

Invasive Potential: No

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: Yes

Pruning Requirement: Needed, to develop a strong structure

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Surface Rooting: No

Life Span: Less than 25

Edible Parts: None

Pests: Mites, Aphids

Plant Propagations: Seed, Cutting

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