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

Pronounciation: 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 Persistance: Deciduous

Leaf Type: Simple
Leaf Blade: 5 - 10 cm
Leaf Shape: Obovate
Leaf Margins: Serrate
Leaf Textures: Rough
Leaf Scent: No Fragance

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 Fragance

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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