

## Annona squamosa

### (Cherimoya fruit)

Small tropical semi- deciduous tree. The leaves are dark green rough in texture. The flower are small but fragrant when it blooms. As the flower doesn't have the natural pollinator in our regions to have success in fruit growing hand pollination is required. Flowering occur in the summer and fruiting in the fall. It grows and fruits best in dry regions, when given water, but needs humidity when flowering for adequate pollination. The fruit is usually eaten fresh.



Plant Image

#### Landscape Information

**French Name:** Annone écaillée

**Arabic Name:** قشدة حرشفية

**Pronunciation:** an-NO-nuh

**Plant Type:** Tree

**Origin:** Caribbean, South America

**Heat Zones:** 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14

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

**Uses:** Specimen, Container, Edible, Reclamation

#### Size/Shape

**Growth Rate:** Moderate

**Tree Shape:** Upright

**Canopy Symmetry:** Symmetrical

**Canopy Density:** Medium

**Canopy Texture:** Medium

**Height at Maturity:** 5 to 8 m

**Spread at Maturity:** 3 to 5 meters

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

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Flower Image

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## Botanical Description

### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Opposite

**Leaf Venation:** Pinnate

**Leaf Persistence:** Semi Evergreen

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** 5 - 10 cm

**Leaf Shape:** Oval

**Leaf Margins:** Entire

**Leaf Textures:** Coarse

**Leaf Scent:** Unpleasant

**Color(growing season):** Green

**Color(changing season):** Yellow

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### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** False

**Seasons:** Summer

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### Trunk

**Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage:** Generally resists breakage

**Number of Trunks:** Multi-Trunked

**Trunk Esthetic Values:** Not Showy, Smooth

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### Fruit

**Fruit Type:** Aggregate

**Fruit Showiness:** True

**Fruit Size Range:** 10 - 20

**Fruit Colors:** Green

**Seasons:** Summer

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Leaf Image

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### Horticulture Management

#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** No

**Heat Tolerant:** Yes

**Drought Tolerant:** No

**Salt Tolerance:** Poor

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** 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:** Yes

**Pruning Requirement:** Needed, to develop a strong structure

**Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** Yes

**Surface Rooting:** No

**Life Span:** 25-50 years

**Edible Parts:** Fruit

**Plant Propagations:** Grafting

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Fruit Image



Other Image



Bark Image