

## Citrus limetta

### (Sweet lemon, Mediterranean sweet lemon)

Citrus limetta is a small tree with lemon-like shape that can reach up to 8 m in height. It has irregular branches, and relatively smooth, brownish-grey bark. It possesses numerous thorns. The leaves are more rounded and oval than an orange tree. Blossoms and new leaves are bright purple



Plant Image

#### Landscape Information

**French Name:** Limettier

**Arabic Name:** ليمون حامض

**Pronunciation:** SIT-rus lime-ET-ta

**Plant Type:** Tree

**Origin:** Asia

**Heat Zones:** 9, 10, 11

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

**Uses:** Mass Planting, Container, Edible

#### Size/Shape

**Tree Shape:**

**Canopy Symmetry:** Irregular

**Height at Maturity:** 1.5 to 3 m

**Spread at Maturity:** 3 to 5 meters, 5 to 8 meters

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Fruit Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

- Leaf Arrangement: Alternate
- Leaf Venation: Pinnate
- Leaf Persistence: Evergreen
- Leaf Type: Simple
- Leaf Blade: 5 - 10 cm
- Leaf Margins: Crenate
- Leaf Textures: Glossy
- Leaf Scent: Pleasant
- Color(growing season): Green
- Color(changing season): Green

Flower

- Flower Showiness: True
- Flower Size Range: 1.5 - 3
- Flower Scent: Pleasant
- Flower Color: White
- Seasons: Spring

Trunk

- Trunk Esthetic Values: Smooth, Spines

Fruit

- Fruit Type: Hesperidium
- Fruit Showiness: True
- Fruit Colors: Yellow
- Seasons: Spring

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Other Image

### Horticulture Management

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#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** No

**Heat Tolerant:** No

**Drought Tolerant:** Yes

**Salt Tolerance:** Moderate

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic

**Water Requirements:** Moderate

**Light Requirements:**

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#### Management

**Edible Parts:**

**Plant Propagations:** Grafting

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