

Choisya ternata

(Mexican Orange)

Choisya ternata is an evergreen shrub native to Mexico. Its white flowers bloom during spring and summer. They possess a very sweet aroma. Leaves also smell good when crushed. Its foliage dense and glossy. It has a very wide range of uses. It can be used for cutflowers, topiary, espalier, borders, hedge, bonsai, container, and rock garden/wall.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Oranger du Mexique

Pronunciation: CHOY-zee-uh tur-NAY-tuh

Plant Type: Shrub

Origin: Mexico

Heat Zones: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11

Hardiness Zones: 8, 9, 10, 11

Uses: Hedge, Topiary, Bonsai, Espalier, Border Plant, Container, Cut Flowers / Arrangements, Green Wall, Rock Garden

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Fast

Tree Shape: Round, oval

Canopy Density: Dense

Canopy Texture: Medium

Height at Maturity: 1.5 to 3 m

Spread at Maturity: 1.5 to 3 meters

Time to Ultimate Height: 5 to 10 Years

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Opposite
Leaf Venation: Pinnate
Leaf Persistence: Evergreen
Leaf Type: Trifoliate
Leaf Blade: 5 - 10 cm
Leaf Shape: Oblong
Leaf Margins: Entire
Leaf Textures: Smooth, Glossy
Leaf Scent: Pleasant
Color(growing season): Green
Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: True
Flower Size Range: 1.5 - 3
Flower Type: Cyme
Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)
Flower Scent: Pleasant
Flower Color: White
Seasons: Spring, Summer

Trunk

Trunk Has Crownshaft: False
Number of Trunks: Multi-Trunked
Trunk Esthetic Values: Not Showy

Fruit

Fruit Type: Capsule
Fruit Showiness: False
Fruit Colors: Brown
Seasons: Spring, Summer

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes

Heat Tolerant: Yes

Drought Tolerant: Yes

Salt Tolerance: Poor

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full, Part

Management

Toxity: No

Invasive Potential: No

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No

Surface Rooting: No

Edible Parts: None

Plant Propagations: Seed, Cutting

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