## 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

Pronounciation: 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 Persistance: 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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Fruit Image

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