

Tabebuia aurea

(Caribbean Trumpet Tree,)

Trumpet tree is a cold tender plant with an amazing late winter or spring yellow flowering. The flowers are grown in a huge cluster followed by a dark brown seed pod. It defoliates fully again shortly after bloom. The compound, hand-shaped, green or silver-green leaves have five to seven oblong leaflets. The tree grows in full sun in acidic to slightly alkaline soil. Drought and salt tolerant. Reduce watering in order to defoliate leaves in the winter. Can be grown as a street tree for narrow location.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Tabebuia

Pronunciation: tab-eh-BOO-yuh kuh-RYE-buh

Plant Type: Tree

Origin: South America, Argentina, Brazil

Heat Zones: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14

Hardiness Zones: 10, 11, 12, 13

Uses: Specimen, Container, Shade, Street, Pollution Tolerant / Urban

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Moderate

Tree Shape: Spreading, Vase

Canopy Symmetry: Irregular

Canopy Density: Dense

Canopy Texture: Medium

Height at Maturity: 5 to 8 m

Spread at Maturity: 3 to 5 meters

Time to Ultimate Height: 20 to 50 Years

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Opposite

Leaf Venation: Pinnate

Leaf Persistence: Semi Evergreen

Leaf Type: Palmately Compound

Leaf Blade: Less than 5

Leaf Shape: Oval

Leaf Margins: Undulate, Entire

Leaf Textures: Medium

Leaf Scent: No Fragrance

Color(growing season): Green

Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: True

Flower Size Range: 3 - 7

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: No Fragrance

Flower Color: Yellow

Seasons: Spring, Winter

Trunk

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Suspected to breakage

Number of Trunks: Single Trunk

Trunk Esthetic Values: Showy

Fruit

Fruit Type: Capsule

Fruit Showiness: True

Fruit Size Range: 7 - 10

Fruit Colors: Brown

Seasons: Spring, Winter

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: No

Heat Tolerant: Yes

Drought Tolerant: Yes

Salt Tolerance: Good

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral

Water Requirements: Low

Light Requirements: Full

Management

Toxity: No

Invasive Potential: No

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No

Pruning Requirement: Needed, to develop a strong structure

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Surface Rooting: No

Life Span: 25-50 years

Edible Parts: None

Plant Propagations: Seed, Layering

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Fruit Image



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Bark Image



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