

## Bougainvillea glabra 'Variegated'

### (Bougainvillea, Paper flower)

Bougainvillea glabra is an evergreen shrubby vine with spiny branches. The flowers are small cream color found in the center of 3 coloured bracts. Culture and hardiness is species dependent, but most bougainvilleas prefer sunny, warm conditions and require very well-drained soil. They tend to be drought tolerant, but look best with occasional applications of water.

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Plant Image

#### Landscape Information

**French Name:** Bougainville

**Arabic Name:** الجميلة، مجنونة

**Pronunciation:** boo-gan-VIL-lee-uh GLAY-bruh

**Plant Type:** Vine

**Origin:** Brazil

**Heat Zones:** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16

**Hardiness Zones:** 9, 10, 11, 12

**Uses:** Screen, Hedge, Bonsai, Espalier, Specimen, Mass Planting, Container, Trellis

#### Size/Shape

**Growth Rate:** Moderate

**Tree Shape:** Spreading

**Canopy Symmetry:** Irregular

**Canopy Density:** Open

**Canopy Texture:** Coarse

**Height at Maturity:** 3 to 5 m

**Spread at Maturity:** 1.5 to 3 meters

**Time to Ultimate Height:** 5 to 10 Years

#### Notes

Bougainvillea may be planted as free-standing specimens, hedges, trailing vines or groundcover plants.

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## Botanical Description

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### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Alternate

**Leaf Venation:** Pinnate

**Leaf Persistence:** Evergreen

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** Less than 5

**Leaf Shape:** Lanceolate

**Leaf Margins:** Undulate

**Leaf Textures:** Smooth

**Leaf Scent:** No Fragrance

**Color(growing season):** Green, Variegated

**Color(changing season):** Green

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### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** True

**Flower Size Range:** 0 - 1.5

**Flower Type:** Solitary

**Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)

**Flower Scent:** No Fragrance

**Flower Color:** Yellow, Orange, Red, Purple, Variegated, White

**Seasons:** Spring, Summer

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### Trunk

**Number of Trunks:** Multi-Trunked

**Trunk Esthetic Values:** Not Showy

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### Fruit

**Fruit Type:** Achene/Akene

**Fruit Showiness:** False

**Fruit Size Range:** 0 - 1.5

**Fruit Colors:** Brown

**Seasons:** Spring, Summer

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### Horticulture Management

#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** No

**Heat Tolerant:** Yes

**Drought Tolerant:** Yes

**Salt Tolerance:** Moderate

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic, Neutral

**Water Requirements:** Moderate

**Light Requirements:** Full

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#### Management

**Toxicity:** No

**Invasive Potential:** No

**Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** No

**Pruning Requirement:** Little needed, to develop a strong structure

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

**Life Span:** 25-50 years

**Edible Parts:** None

**Pests:** Mites, Thrips, Scales, Aphids

**Plant Propagations:** Cutting

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