

Dizygotheca elegantissima

(False aralia)

False aralia is an evergreen small shrub with skinny leaves and a rounded to broadly columnar canopy.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Faux aralia
Pronunciation: diz-zee-goe-THEEK-uh el-uh-gan-TISS-simuh
Plant Type: Shrub
Origin: New Caledonia, Polynesia
Heat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15
Hardiness Zones: 10, 11, 12, 13
Uses: Specimen, Indoor, Container

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Moderate
Tree Shape: Upright
Canopy Symmetry: Irregular
Canopy Density: Open
Canopy Texture: Fine
Height at Maturity: 5 to 8 m
Spread at Maturity: 3 to 5 meters
Time to Ultimate Height: 5 to 10 Years

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Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Spiral

Leaf Venation: Nearly Invisible

Leaf Persistence: Evergreen

Leaf Type: Palmately Compound

Leaf Blade: 20 - 30

Leaf Shape: Star

Leaf Margins: Serrulate

Leaf Textures: Coarse

Leaf Scent: No Fragrance

Color(growing season): Green, Variegated

Trunk

Number of Trunks: Single Trunk

Trunk Esthetic Values: Not Showy

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Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: No

Heat Tolerant: Yes

Drought Tolerant: Yes

Salt Tolerance: Poor

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Neutral, Alkaline

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full, Part, Shade

Management

Invasive Potential: No

Pruning Requirement: Little needed, to develop a strong structure

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Surface Rooting: No

Life Span: Less than 25

Edible Parts: None

Plant Propagations: Cutting
