

Mandevilla splendens

(My Fair Lady)

The Mandevilla is a woody evergreen plant with twining stems and glossy bright green leaves. It undergoes best growth in full sun and moist, well-drained soil and needs support to climb. This plant is grown mainly for its outstanding flowers that bloom repeatedly. The flowers are large pink, funnel-form flowers with white and yellow throats. The plant belongs to the same family as oleander and like the latter, the sap is very toxic.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Dipladénia

Pronunciation: man-de-VILL-uh SPLEN-denz

Plant Type: Vine

Origin: Brazil

Heat Zones: 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15

Hardiness Zones: 10, 11, 12, 13

Uses: Indoor, Container, Facade, Trellis

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Fast

Tree Shape: Spreading

Canopy Symmetry: Irregular

Canopy Density: Dense

Canopy Texture: Medium

Height at Maturity: 5 to 8 m

Spread at Maturity: 0.5 to 1 meter

Time to Ultimate Height: 2 to 5 Years

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Opposite

Leaf Venation: Pinnate

Leaf Persistence: Evergreen

Leaf Type: Simple

Leaf Blade: 10 - 20

Leaf Shape: Ovate

Leaf Margins: Undulate

Leaf Textures: Glossy, Medium

Leaf Scent: No Fragrance

Color(growing season): Green

Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: True

Flower Size Range: 10 - 20

Flower Type: Raceme

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: No Fragrance

Flower Color: Red, Pink

Seasons: Year Round

Trunk

Number of Trunks: Multi-Trunked

Trunk Esthetic Values: Colored

Fruit

Fruit Type: Follicle

Fruit Showiness: False

Fruit Colors: Brown

Seasons: Year Round

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: No

Heat Tolerant: Yes

Drought Tolerant: No

Salt Tolerance: Good

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full, Part

Management

Toxity: Yes

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: Less than 25

Edible Parts: None

Pests: Mites, Scales, Whitefly, Mealy-Bug

Plant Propagations: Cutting, Layering, Division
