

## Velvet Leaf Tree - Plant



The purple velvet plant, is one of the most unique houseplants you can grow. This is due to the odd velvety purplish hairs that it produces on its green leaves.

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## Description for Velvet Leaf Tree

**Plant height:** 3 - 6 inches (7 - 16 cm)

**Plant spread:**

It grows to 2 m tall, and has velvet-like heart-shaped leaves 15â€25 cm broad. The flowers are yellow or orange, 4 cm diameter, maturing into button-shaped capsules which split lengthwise to release the seeds. The flowers and plants have a fruity scent.

**Common name(s):** velvetleaf, velvetweed, Chinese jute, China jute, buttonweed, butterprint, pie-marker, or Indian mallow

**Flower colours:** yellow or orange

**Bloom time:** May to July

**Max reachable height:** 10.00 to 15.00 feet

**Difficulty to grow:** easy to grow

## Planting and care

Purple velvet plants can thrive in small pots for quite some time.

prune them heavily as they grow by cutting stems off at no more than 5" above the soil line.

â€Cuttings can be rooted well in jars of water. It typically takes 1-2 weeks for a cutting to root successfully.â€

**Sunlight:** Full sun

**Soil:** well-drained soils

**Water:** Medium

**Temperature:** 23Â°C

**Fertilizer:** Apply any organic fertilizer

## Caring for Velvet Leaf Tree

- They should be placed in areas of your home that receive bright, but filtered sunlight.
- Soil should be kept only moderately moist at all times, do not over water this plant!â€
- You can even add some rocks or gravel to the bottom of your pot to ensure that water is draining well.â€
- Fertilize once a week during the growing season.

## Typical uses of Velvet Leaf Tree

**Special features:** Parts Used: Whole vine, leaves, roots, seeds, bark.

**Ornamental use:** Bast fibers of the bark are made into rope.

**Medicinal use:** Pounded leaves used for snake bites, abscesses, and wounds.

Leaves and roots used for treatment of ulcers

Leaves used for scabies.

Roots used as diuretic. etc.

## References

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