

Cassia fistula, Golden shower Tree, Bahava - Plant



Cassia is one of the most beautiful in all tropical trees when it sheds its leaves, and bursts into a mass of long, grape-bunches like yellow gold flowers.

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Description

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Cassia fistula is commonly known as The Golden shower tree. Cassia is a vast genus with various species consisting of yellow colored flowers. Cassia fistula is a large shrub or medium sized tree which grows up to a height of 20 to 40 feet height.

The Cassia has few distinguishing features can be observed with little trouble. It is slightly smaller, but has the same spreading crown, long drooping branches and numerous, feathery leaves, but the branches are rough. The flowers are similar but the sepals are smooth, green inside and deep-red underneath.

C. fistula or the golden shower tree is generally used in landscape because of its wonderful showy flowers. During the blooming season, the flowers entirely cover the tree and give a perfect contrast to the landscape than the regular one.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
Golden Shower Tree, Amaltas	Golden yellow	Spring, Late Spring, Early Summer	20 to 40 feet	Easy

Planting and care

10-20 seeds per pack. Gorgeous tropical tree producing long strands of yellow flowers. A very common garden tree throughout Hawaii and many tropical locations. Its flower is the official flower of Thailand and the tree has a number of important medicinal uses. Fairly fast growing to 25-60 ft. Hardy to 20-24F, suitable outdoors in both subtropical and tropical climates.

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Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Full sun	Acidic, Well-drained soil	Water the tree freely during the heat of spring through fall when the plant actively grows with new leaves and stem length. Supplement natural rainfall as the soil need to keep moist. Droughts during the summer growing season retards the growth and may cause premature leaf drop or branch die-back.	Hardiness 35-40 degrees F. Extensive frost or subfreezing temperatures cause full leaf defoliation	Apply a general, well-balanced fertilizer annually.

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Typical uses of Cassia fistula

Special features:

Ornamental use: A tropical ornamental tree with a trunk consisting of hard reddish wood. It has showy racemes, up to 2 inches long, with bright, yellow, fragrant flowers.

Medicinal use: It is used medicinally for treating constipation, common cold, chlorosis and urinary disorders. Its leaves are effective against herpes simplex and the bark of Cassia is one of the ingredients in ayurvedic and other traditional medicine antidiabetic formulations.

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Reviews

Friday, 13 April 2018

Can we grow Cassia in pot

Gayathri Iyer

Friday, 01 September 2017

Plant came securely packed.Plant is good, no brown leaves. Hope it grows well

Abhilasha Jain

Wednesday, 30 August 2017

Perfectly OK for indoor use with artificial lighting.

Joshi Prisy

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