

## Manihot esculanta variegata - Plant



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## Description for Manihot esculanta variegata

**Plant height:** 3 - 6 inches

**Plant spread:**

Manihot esculenta is a woody shrub native to South America of the spurge family, Euphorbiaceae. It is extensively cultivated as an annual crop in tropical and subtropical regions for its edible starchy tuberous root, a major source of carbohydrates.

**Common name(s):** cassava, manioc, tapioca, yuca, Marachini, Mara valle kilangu, Maravalli, Simla aloo, Simul alu

**Flower colours:** -

**Bloom time:** Seasonal bloomer

**Max reachable height:** 6.00 to 10.00 feet

**Difficulty to grow:** Easy to grow

## Planting and care

Good cassava plant care should include the use of a slow release fertilizer in spring. Keep the plants moderately moist. To preserve the plant, move it to a pot indoors before freezing temperatures. Overwinter cassava in a warm, well-lit location and transplant outside when soils heat back up.

**Sunlight:** Full Sun to Partial Shade

**Soil:** well-drained soil

**Water:** Medium

**Temperature:** 16C - 25C

**Fertilizer:** Apply any organic fertilizer

## Caring for Manihot esculanta variegata

Provide plants with a slow-release fertilizer at the start of the season, and water as needed. Before the first frost, place plants indoors in a warm area under fluorescent lights until spring. Propagation: In midwinter, place two- to three-node stem cuttings flat on the soil surface.

## Typical uses of Manihot esculanta variegata

**Special features:** Root crop in tropical to semi-tropical areas. Foliage annual or container plant for areas that are not frost-free.

**Ornamental use:** The plant is used for ornamental purpose.

**Medicinal use:** Cassava (*Manihot esculenta*) is a plant sometimes used as an herbal remedy. The root of the plant is also used to make tapioca, a starch found in puddings and other foods. The plant's leaves, meanwhile, have been found to contain protein, carotene, and lysine.

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