

Kaner Dwarf, Nerium Oleander (Peach, Dwarf) - Plant



Nerium indicum is commonly known as Indian oleander or kaner which belongs to Apocynaceae family in the genus Nerium.

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Description

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Nerium is evergreen shrub that grows upto the height of 4 m and bearing leaves all the year around. Nerium indicum is distributed all over the Philippines, India and Nepal found on the ranges of 6500 feet. It is commonly cultivated for its sweet smelling flowers which have medicinal uses.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
Kaner.	Red, Pink or White.	April-September	Up to 3 metres.	Easy to grow.

Planting and care

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Full sun to part shade.	Standard mix of well drained sand and peat.	When in growth water often and allow plants to remain moist. When not actively growing, water plants sparingly and allow to dry out between watering.	Warm.	Fertilize regularly during the growing period.

Caring for Kaner Dwarf

Yellowing of new leaves indicates over watering.

Typical uses of Kaner Dwarf

Special features:

Ornamental use: Used as an ornamental plant in landscapes, in parks, and along roadsides.

Medicinal use:

Nerium has various medicinal uses and the leaves and flowers are thought to have actions as tonic, cardio tonic, diaphoretic, diuretic, emetic and expectorant.

Leaves and flowers are also used to treat malaria and as traditional medicine it induces the termination of embryo.

The tincture or decoction is been used externally to reduce swelling and scabies.

The root powder is an external remedy for hemorrhoids and ulcers around genitals.

Leaves and bark is treated as insecticide, rat poison and parasitic.

The plant of Indian oleander is thought to possess anti-cancerous activities.

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