

Kusum Tree, Ceylon Oak - 0.5 Kg Seeds



Kusum Tree - *Schleichera oleosa* . Other common names in Indian languages are: Hindi: Kusum Telugu: Posku, busi, pusku, kosangi. Marathi: Kusumb (???????) Gujarati: Kosumb (???????) Tamil: Kumbadiri Malayalam: Cottilai Kannada: Cakota Chhattisgarhi: Kossum

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Description River birch is perhaps the most culturally adaptable and heat tolerant of the birches. Prefers moist, acidic, fertile soils including semi-aquatic conditions, but also tolerates drier soils.

Common name: Ceylon oak, lac tree, or Macassar oiltree

Color: Brown

Bloom time: April to May

Height: 40.00 to 70.00 feet

Difficulty level: easy to grow

Planting & Care

Plants prefer a near-neutral pH range of 5.5–7.0. A pH of 6.5 is just about right for most home gardens (slightly acidic to neutral). An accurate soil test will tell you where your pH currently stands. Acidic (sour) soil is counteracted by applying finely ground limestone, and alkaline (sweet) soil is treated with ground sulfur.

Sunlight: Full sun to part shade

Soil: well-drained soil

Water: Medium to wet

Temperature: 35-47.5 °C

Fertilizer: Apply any organic fertilizer

Care:

- The vining varieties require a support structure as some can get 15 feet tall.
- All plants prefer sun to light shade sites with well-draining and moderately fertile soil.
- Install the plant in the ground at the same level it was growing in the nursery pot.

- Most plants are grafted onto the common rootstock because of its superior hardiness.
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Care:

- Every leaf has a growth bud, so removing old flower blossoms encourages the plant to make more flowers instead of using the energy to make seeds.
- Clean away from around the base of the rosebushes any trimmed debris that can harbor disease and insects.
- Late in the season, stop deadheading rugosas so that hips will form on the plants.

Special Feature:

Specimen or small groupings for lawns, parks and commercial properties, and, in particular, for wet soils along ponds, streams or in low spots. Good choice for the St. Louis area and generally a good substitute for the paper birch in the hot and humid areas of USDA Zones 5-9.

Use

Medicinal use:

- Medicinal uses: Different plant parts of kusum are used in traditional medicine.
- The seed oil is used by the local vaidis for curing skin diseases like scabies, itching and acne.
- The bark decoction is also used against skin inflammations and ulcers.
- The decoction is also infused for curing malaria.

Note:

for medicinal use

Reference:

<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/> <http://www.flowersofindia.net/>