

## Toothache, Akarkara - seeds - buy 1 get 1 free



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Description Easily grown in average, medium, well-drained soils in full sun to part shade. Tolerates poor soils. Freely colonizes by root suckers to form dense thickets.

**Common name:** Toothache Plant, Para cress

**Color:** green

**Bloom time:** April

**Height:** 15.00 to 20.00 feet

**Difficulty level:** easy to grow

### Planting & 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.

**Sunlight:** Full sun to part shade

**Soil:** well-drained soil

**Water:** Medium

**Temperature:** 37.7 °C

**Fertilizer:** Apply any organic fertilizer

### Care:

- Plants do not thrive in Zones 9 to 10 without a period of refrigeration; they need a cold, dormant period.
- Select a site with soil that drains well.
- How can you tell? After a good rain, find a spot that is the first to dry out.
- Water trapped beneath the scales may rot the bulb, so a well-drained site is essential.
- Also, select a site that gets full sun.
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### Care:

- 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; these can be harvested and dried on screens, away from sunlight, then stored in an airtight container.
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**Special Feature:**

This tree or shrub has somewhat limited ornamental value. Good for hedgerows, screens, naturalized woodland areas or integrated into native plantings.

Use

**Medicinal use:**

- Or the leaf, after chewing to release the juice, is tucked in the mouth between the gums and cheek for toothache.
- It is also used for sore gums, teething babies, and mouth ulcers.
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- The leaves can be rubbed on cuts, hard to heal sores and acne.

**Note:**

for medicinal use

**Reference:**

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