

SPECIES Passiflora edulis
COMMON NAME Passionfruit

ORIGIN Native to South America

DESIGN USE Can be trained over fences or trellises to provide screening or shade



HEIGHT

Depends upon supporting structure

SPREAD

5-20m

HABIT

Evergreen, spreading vine with fast growth rate and dense foliage.

FORM

Vigorous climber with long tendrils - requires support.

FLOWERS

6-8cm across, calyx white, under a delicate filamentous corona (petals) purple at the base in the leaf axils.

FLOWERING PERIOD

Occurs from April-November but may occasionally continue year-round if conditions are right.

FRUIT

Typically purple, but there are yellow forms as well as red or purple skinned cultivars, 6-10cm, with a sweet-acid edible pulp.

VARIATIONS

forma flavicarpa (has yellow skin)

CLIMATIC TOLERANCES

Easy to grow outdoors year around in zone 10 and warm zone 9 - suit warm tropical climates.

HORTICULTURE

Giving good conditions vary a little, but a sunny location with partial shade is a good start. Provide a sandy organic soil and moderate food. After a brief period to establish, passion vines are mainly carefree.

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