

## Anacacho Orchid Tree (Common Name)

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### PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Canopy potential: 8' wide

Annual Growth Rate: 12"

Powerline Friendly: 6' – 10' from base

Root Damage Potential: Low

Leaves: Small, light green, deeply cleft leaves.

Flowers: Delicate, white to pale pink, orchid-like flowers.

### ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

Water Use: Low

Edible Fruit Producing: No

Allergenic: Low

BVOC Emissions: High

Sonoran Desert Native: No

Invasive Species: No

Tree Care: Plant in full sun to partial shade in well-drained soil. During the summer months water once a week. During the winter, water once every 4-6 weeks. Prune any dead or diseased branches or to shape.

Ecosystem Services: The flower nectar allures butterflies and bees and is essential for butterflies and bees in remote canyons and an important source of food for these small insects.