**Oleander** (Common Name)

**Nerium oleander** (Scientific Name)

### PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- **Canopy potential:** 10’ – 15’ wide
- **Annual Growth Rate:** 24” – 36”
- **Powerline Compatible:** 10’ – 20’ from base
- **Root Damage Potential:** Low
- **Leaves:** Pairs of three, thick and leathery, dark-green, narrow lanceolate, 2.0–8.3 in long and 1–3.5 cm (0.39–1.38 in) broad.
- **Flowers:** Flowers grow in clusters at the end of each branch; they are white, pink to red, .98–1.97 in diameter, with a deeply 5-lobed fringed.

### ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

- **Water Use:** Low
- **Edible Fruit Producing:** No
- **Allergenic:** Low
- **BVOC Emissions:** Moderate
- **Sonoran Desert Native:** No
- **Invasive Species:** No
- **Tree Care:** Minimal care is needed. Watering in dry periods promotes a greener appearance. Avoid over-watering, as the leaves will yellow. In poorer soils, fertilizing in Spring can be good, however after establishment fertilizer is not needed. Prune damaged or diseased limbs, or to shape in the Fall.