

Yellow Oleander (Common Name)

Thevetia peruviana (Scientific Name)



PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Canopy potential: 10' – 15' wide

Annual Growth Rate: 36"

Powerline Friendly: 20' – 30' from base

Root Damage Potential: Low

Leaves: Linear, dark green with no seasonal change, evergreen.

Flowers: Showy. Fragrant orange or yellow. Flowers in fall, winter, or summer. Has perfect flowers.



ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

Water Use: Moderate

Edible Fruit Producing: No

Allergenic: High

BVOC Emissions: N/A

Sonoran Desert Native: No

Invasive Species: No

Tree Care: Plant in full sun, but care to avoid sunscald. Tolerant of most soils. Light pruning needed to shape and lift canopy.

Ecosystem Services: All parts are toxic to most vertebrates. Widely used in folk medicine in Central and South America and spread to South-East Asia. Care should be taken in all medical applications of this plant since a high dosage may result in poisoning. Can be used to relieve toothaches, treat chronic sores and ulcers. An infusion of the roots can be taken to treat snakebites.

