



TECOMA HYBRID 'ORANGE JUBILEE'

OUTSTANDING FEATURES: 'Orange Jubilee' has quickly become a favorite large shrub for Southwestern landscapes. Its lush green foliage, showy tubular orange flowers, and fast growth rate combine to make it ideal for many landscape situations. The orange flowers are produced during the warm season and attract hummingbirds, with very few seed pods produced after flowering.

DESCRIPTION: *Tecoma* X 'Orange Jubilee' is an upright shrub which can grow up to 12 feet tall and 8 feet across if not frozen back for a couple of winters. The rich green, lush looking foliage gives this plant a subtropical appearance. The compound leaves are about 6 inches long by 4 inches wide, and are divided into 9-11 leaflets, with each leaflet measuring 1.5-2 inches long. Clusters of orange-red trumpet-shaped flowers appear at the tips of the stems from spring through fall. The individual flowers are 2.5 inches long, darker red-orange near the base, and more orange near the mouth. The lobes are large and showy, but folded back over the tube. The inside of the flower is yellowish with orange guide-lines to direct pollinators to the nectar.

CULTURE/MAINTENANCE: *Tecoma* X 'Orange Jubilee' is quite root hardy, although its foliage may be damaged when temperatures drop into the mid to low 20's F. It may freeze back to the ground when temperatures hit the mid-teens F. It bounces back quickly after a hard frost, attaining a size of 5-7 feet tall in one growing season. 'Orange Jubilee' is moderately drought tolerant, surviving on minimal supplemental water during the summer. However, this plant will look more lush and flower more profusely when given regular supplemental water from spring until fall. *Tecoma* X 'Orange Jubilee' can be grown in a variety of soil types. It will tolerate a rocky, native soil with no supplemental organic amendments, as well as a rich soil with a lot of organic matter included. A plant in native soil tends to be more tolerant of inconsistent watering than one in a rich, highly amended soil. 'Orange Jubilee' requires very little maintenance. Frost-damaged plants should be cut back in the late winter or early spring. Luckily, this clone produces very few seed pods.



IDENTIFICATION: *Tecoma* X 'Orange Jubilee' is easily identified by its flowers. Currently there are three other species of *Tecoma* and one species of *Tecomaria* in cultivation. *Tecoma stans* has large yellow flowers and is easily distinguished from *Tecoma* 'Orange Jubilee'. *Tecoma garrocha* has salmon to orange flowers, but is distinguished by its leaves, which are longer and more narrow. *Tecoma arequipensis* is another species with orange flowers, but it has much smaller leaves and reddish stems. *Tecomaria capensis* has orange-red flowers that are similar to the flowers of *Tecoma* 'Orange Jubilee', but has a more sprawling form and small, dark green leaves.

LANDSCAPE APPLICATION: *Tecoma* X 'Orange Jubilee' has many landscape uses. It should be planted in full sun or reflected sun. It can be used singly or in groups against a large blank wall to show off its rich green color and

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brilliant flower display. It can also be planted along streetscapes, in parking lots, or other reflected heat locations. Its lush appearance also makes it a natural for the mini-oasis of a xeriscape.

PRECAUTIONS: A young plant may be susceptible to damage by rabbits, but once it has attained a size of 3-4 feet tall and the stems have developed some thickness, it is usually not bothered. The tomato horn worm caterpillars can nearly defoliate a young plant.



Close up of the flower cluster of *Tecoma X 'Orange Jubilee'*.

A block of 'Orange Jubilee' growing at Mountain States Nursery.



AT A GLANCE SUMMARY

SIZE (HEIGHT x WIDTH)	12 feet x 8 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Orange-red
FLOWER SEASON	Spring, summer, and fall
EXPOSURE	Full sun, reflected heat
WATER	Low to moderate
GROWTH RATE	Fast
HARDINESS	0°F USDA 7
PRUNING	Cut back in late winter or early spring
HARDY IN THESE CITIES	Phoenix, Tucson, San Diego, Los Angeles, Palm Desert, Las Vegas, El Paso, San Antonio, Dallas

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