



PARKINSONIA FLORIDA (CERCIDIUM FLORIDUM) BLUE PALO VERDE

Blue palo verde is an upright to spreading tree to 30' tall and wide. Growth is moderately fast with monthly irrigation. It blooms in the spring with profuse clusters of golden-yellow blossoms. The flower blossoms emerge before those of *Parkinsonia microphylla*. An Arizona native, it is common below 4000 feet in elevation. It is usually low branching, and is often multi-trunked. Periods of drought or cold can cause the tree to become partially or totally deciduous. The blue-green branches carry on photosynthesis even when the tree is leafless.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY	
SIZE (H X W)	30 feet x 30 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Yellow
FLOWER SEASON	Mid - Spring
EXPOSURE	Full Sun, Reflected Heat
WATER	Low
GROWTH RATE	Moderate
HARDINESS	10° F, USDA Zone 7
PRUNING	Prune to tree form



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