

Botanical Name: Rhoicissus capensis

Common Name: Evergreen grape

Type of Plant: dicot; vine Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape fast growing, coarse-textured, sprawling vine; climbing  
or spreading by means of tendrils

Height 20-30' Spread 20-40' Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoor full sun to partial shade

Soil prefers moist loam, tolerates most

Hardiness some frost (zones 16-24); prefers warm areas

Morphology:

Leaves variable in form; mostly pinnate, alternate, variously  
lobed, blade somewhat cordate, bright green, 3-6" across, 3-6" fuzzy petioles

Flowers inconspicuous green flowers in small clusters

Fruit small, 1/8" diameter bluish black berry

Propagation: seed, semihardwood cuttings

Usage: vine for foliage color, arbors, overhead screen, fence  
cover, espalier excellent for covering unwanted views

Landscape Care:

Watering prefers regular watering

Fertilizing balanced in spring

Pruning shear back in spring to keep controlled-may be headed back

Pests/Diseases leaf hoppers

Special Conditions prefers a cool, moist root area, leaves in sun

Origin: South Africa Family: Vitaceae