

Botanical Name: Duranta erecta (D. repens)

Common Name: Sky flower, Golden dewdrop, Pigeon berry

Type of Plant: dicot; shrub Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape erect to widely spreading, rapidly growing up and out,
forms an open, rather rangy canopy if unpruned, tends to grow in a somewhat
clumping fashion

Height 10-25' Spread 10-25' Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun to partial shade

Soil prefers moist loam, tolerates poorer soil

Hardiness some frost (zones 13, 16, 17-24) thrives in warm locations

Morphology:

Leaves pinnate, opposite-whorled, obovate-oblong-somewhat round,
1/2-2" long, bright green, entire to serrate margins

Flowers blue, funnel shaped, 1/2-3/4" long, loose, open racemes or
panicles, April through August

Fruit yellow-gold berry, round, 1/4-1/2" broad

Propagation: seed, semihardwood cuttings

Usage: fast growing background shrub or large screen for the
flower and fruit display, can be trained into espalier or tree form

Landscape Care:

Watering regular watering preferred; tolerates heavy watering in
well drained soil

Fertilizing balanced in spring and summer

Pruning to shape desired, best if allowed to be open and loose

Pests/Diseases relatively free

Special Conditions

Origin: Brazil Family: Verbenaceae