

Botanical Name: Crassula ovata (C.argentea)

Common Name: Jade plant

Type of Plant: dicot; shrub Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape very dense, rounded canopy - succulent branches form  
single, rather woody trunk - branches appear jointed at nodes

Height 4' - 8' Spread 4' - 6' Growth Rate slow

Environment:

Exposure outdoor prefers full sun, tolerates partial or shade

Soil prefers sandy soil; tolerates any well-draining

Hardiness some frost (zones 16, 17, 22-24)

Morphology:

Leaves pinnate, succulent, opposite, very thick, shining, oval-  
obovate-oblong, narrow at base but not petioled, light green, red tinge

Flowers tiny, white-pink-rose colored, 3" - 6" panicle

Fruit tiny follicle

Propagation: stem cuttings - callus before planting

Usage: tub plant, accent for form and foliage, filler, informal

hedge, good in succulent gardens or tropical landscapes

Landscape Care:

Watering occasional to little - very drought tolerant

Fertilizing none

Pruning little or none - head back, thin with age

Pests/Diseases stem rot in heavy soils

Special Conditions

Origin: South Africa Family: Crassulaceae