

Botanical Name: Albizia distachya (Albizia lophantha)

Common Name: Plume albizia

Type of Plant: dicot: tree Character deciduous

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape an upright, single or multi-trunked plant with vigorous growth forming an open, rounded to irregular loose canopy

Height 15-30' (40') Spread equal Growth Rate very rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoor full sun required; grows poorly in shade

Soil prefers moist, sandy loam; tolerates most

Hardiness tender (zones 15-17,22-24); thrives in warm, low elev.coast

Morphology:

Leaves bi-pinnately compound, alternate; each leaf has 14-24 pinnae; each having 40-60 tiny oblong-linear leaflets

Flowers pale yellow, in round clusters; flowers with conspicuous stamens; spring (intermittent in fall)

Fruit a pod; tan, flat, 2-3" long, not strongly constricted

Propagation: seed

Usage: fast-growing shade tree, best suited for quick effects; for informal, tropical-subtropical landscapes; rather short-lived plant

Landscape Care:

Watering regular is preferred; can tolerate heavy irrigation or drought in coastal areas

Fertilizing little is required after established

Pruning stake and head high when young; needs frequent thinning

Pests/Diseases relatively free

Special Conditions

Origin: Australia Family: Fabaceae