







BAUHINIA LUNARIOIDES

Anacacho Orchid Tree

 Low to moderate water

 Full sun to part shade

 Attracts butterflies

 Native to the Chihuahuan Desert

Why we love it...

Pink and white flowers that resemble tiny orchids cover the Anacacho orchid tree through spring and early summer. If summer rainstorms are sufficient enough, a second blossoming will occur in the fall. Unusually shaped dusty green leaves are shaped like butterflies.

Anacacho orchid tree is a hardy addition to the xeric landscape or garden; it can be grown as a large shrub or a small accent tree. It will grow in both full sun and part shade, but it tends to have a shrubbier appearance in more sun. Protect Anacacho orchid tree from strong winds, as their limbs can be somewhat brittle. Plant with other low-water desert natives such as Desert Milkweed, Globe Mallow, and Penstemon.



Lydia says: Anacacho Orchid Tree requires little to no maintenance, but some selective pruning now and then can help keep up a neat appearance.

Deciduous Tree: *Bauhinia lunarioides*

Size (H x W): 10-12 feet x 6-10 feet

Blooms: Pink or white in spring and summer

Exposure: Full sun to part shade

Hardiness Zone: 10° F, USDA Zone 7

Water: Low to moderate

Pruning: After spring flowering, if necessary

Growth Rate: Slow to moderate



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