





VITEX AGNUS-CASTUS


Chaste Tree

 Low to moderate water

 Full sun to part shade

 Attracts butterflies

 Attracts hummingbirds

 Native to Southern Europe

Why we love it...

The Chaste Tree sports lovely, dusty green foliage garnished with lilac-purple flower spikes during the summer. The colorful blossoms are quite attractive to butterflies in particular. It can be grown as a large shrub or a small tree, though pruning at an early age is necessary to train it into a tree.

Little maintenance is necessary if chaste tree is grown as a shrub. It makes very limited messes, with the exception of some minor flower litter. It is not a slow-growing tree, but it certainly grows much faster with a regular watering schedule. It works well in low-water landscapes, but still looks very graceful near a sitting patio or pond.



Lydia says: Applying a slow-release fertilizer formulated for trees in the fall and early spring can benefit young Chaste Trees.

Deciduous Tree: *Vitex agnus-castus*

Size (H x W): 10-25 feet x 10-25 feet

Blooms: Purple in summer

Exposure: Full sun to part shade

Hardiness Zone: 5° F, USDA Zone 7

Water: Low to moderate

Pruning: Winter

Growth Rate: Moderate to fast



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