





CORDIA BOISSIERI


Texas Olive

 Low to moderate water

 Full sun to part shade

 Attracts butterflies

 Attracts hummingbirds

 Native to N. Mexico, Texas

Why we love it...

Texas Olive is not a true Olive, and it doesn't produce fruit that people find very palatable. Birds quite enjoy the flavor, however, while butterflies and hummingbirds are partial to nectar from its flowers, making Texas Olive a lively hub of garden activity nearly year-round.

Large, dark green, leathery leaves are the perfect backdrop for clusters of showy, bleach-white flowers with lemon-yellow throats, providing a coarse texture and creating a tropical effect in garden spaces. When left to its own devices, Texas Olive grows into a dense, rounded shrub that works well as a foundation or background, but it can easily be pruned and kept as a patio-sized specimen tree.



Lydia says: Plant your Texas Olive in a warm, sunny location to minimize winter damage to leaves and branch-tips!

Evergreen Shrub or Tree: *Cordia boissieri*

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

Blooms: White, spring through fall

Exposure: Full sun to part shade

Hardiness Zone: 20° F, USDA Zone 9

Water: Low to moderate

Pruning: Shape to desired form in August

Growth Rate: Slow to moderate



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