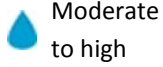




# XYLOSMA CONGESTUM

## Xylosma



Moderate to high



Full sun to part shade



Deer resistant



Rabbit resistant



Native to China

### Why we love it...

Xylosma was a very popular landscaping plant in Phoenix and Tucson in the 1950s, and while it may not be used as widely today, it is still a great plant that almost always looks nice and is very easy to grow. New foliage emerges as a reddish-bronze color, aging to a bright, shiny green. Flowers are not particularly showy; however, they are followed by a dark colored berry that birds may be attracted to.

Xylosma is versatile; it can be trained as a small tree or grown as a hedge or topiary. It takes well to shearing and clipping. Plant Xylosma with lantana, passion flower, and crape myrtle.



**Lydia says:** Plant Xylosma in a well-draining location and get in the habit of deep watering to help prevent salt burn.

### Evergreen Shrub: *Xylosma congestum*

**Size (H x W):** 12-20 feet x 12-20 feet

**Blooms:** Cream white in early spring

**Exposure:** Full sun to part shade

**Hardiness Zone:** 15° F, USDA Zone 8

**Water:** Moderate to high

**Pruning:** Late winter

**Growth Rate:** Slow to moderate



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