




MASCAGNIA MACROPTERA

Yellow Orchid Vine

 Low to moderate water

 Full sun to part shade

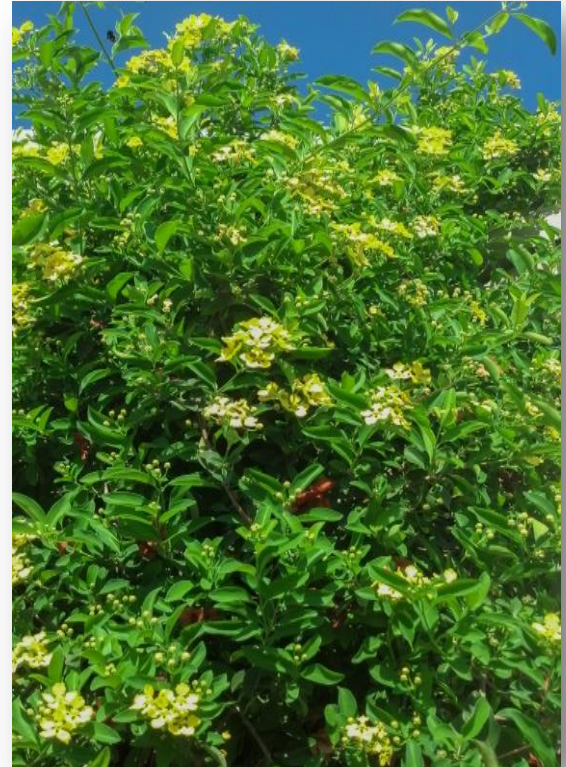
 Attracts butterflies

 Native to Mexico

Why we love it...

The Yellow Orchid Vine is a superb garden and landscape performer. It offers a bright-yellow, unusually shaped, orchid-like flower sporadically throughout the warm season, but heaviest in the spring and fall. Unique flowers then morph into oddly shaped seedpods, which bear an uncanny resemblance to a butterfly.

With support such as a trellis or fence, they can reach heights up to fifteen feet. Without support, they grow into a mound, which can be kept as a shrub or groundcover. Yellow Orchid Vine takes full sun well, but will also tolerate some light shade. It is quite drought tolerant, but responds well and grows faster with regular irrigation in spring and fall. Plant it by itself or with another vine such as Queen's Wreath to have a lovely show of color for most of the year.



Lydia says: Prune back hard in spring to encourage revitalization or to reduce plant size.

Deciduous Vine:

Mascagnia macroptera

Size (H x W): 10-15 feet x 10-15 feet

Blooms: Yellow in spring, summer, and fall

Exposure: Full sun to part shade

Hardiness Zone: 22° F, USDA Zone 9

Water: Low to moderate

Pruning: Spring

Growth Rate: Moderate to fast



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