

The Imperial lemon



The Imperial lemon is thought to be a lemon and grapefruit hybrid. Its fruit is slightly larger than a lemon and has a more rounded shape. This variety became widespread in the 1970s .

It is an evergreen, spinescent plant, with large leaves of an intense green color, very re-flowering throughout the year, but which never bears abundantly and has very showy fruits. The flowers are large, white, very fragrant, arranged mainly in clusters. It can reach up to 15 meters in height and is a little less resistant to the cold than lemon.

The fruits of the Imperial Lemon are very large and can reach 10-15 cm in diameter. They have a shape similar to grapefruit, but are more elongated and of a beautiful yellow color. The peel is yellow, smooth and rich in essential oils. The pulp, also yellow, is juicy, tasty and less acid than lemon with a touch of grapefruit bitterness.

Category: Citrus

Families: Rutaceae

Genus: Citrus

Species: limon "Imperiale"

Geographical Area of Origin: Mediterranean Europe

Climatic Zones: Mediterranean: South and islands, hills. USDA 10 a

Habit: Tree

Leaves: Evergreen

Colore Foglie: Verde

Flowering Period: Marzo / Aprile / Maggio

Flower: Simple flower

Colore Fiori: Bianco

Favorite soil: Sub-acid / medium acid / Middle-Dough / Medium soil

Water needs: Low / little water / Medium

Light Exposure: Medium shade / Half shade / Full light / Full sun

Form: Tree



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Colore Frutti: Giallo 

Parfumed: yes