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Lane Late Navel Orange

Citrus sinensis 'Lane Late'

Height: 20 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 9a

Description:

An extremely late-maturing navel orange that has a wonderful sweet flavor; fruit will hold on the tree for a very long time fully ripe; an attractive landscape plant, or large screen; protect from frost; great for containers



Lane Late Navel Orange fruit
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Edible Qualities

Lane Late Navel Orange is a small tree that is typically grown for its edible qualities. It produces orange round fruit with orange flesh which are usually ready for picking from late fall to early spring. The seedlessfruits have a sweet taste and a juicy texture.

The fruit are most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Cooking
- Juice-Making
- Sauces



Lane Late Navel Orange flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Features & Attributes

Lane Late Navel Orange features showy clusters of fragrant white star-shaped flowers at the ends of the branches in early spring. It has attractive dark green evergreen foliage. The glossy oval leaves are highly ornamental and remain dark green throughout the winter. It features an abundance of magnificent orange berries from late fall to early spring.

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This is a multi-stemmed evergreen tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition. This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting birds, bees and butterflies to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Aside from its primary use as an edible, Lane Late Navel Orange is sutiable for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Hedges/Screening
- Orchard/Edible Landscaping
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Lane Late Navel Orange will grow to be about 20 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 2 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This plant is typically grown in a designated edibles garden. It does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Lane Late Navel Orange is a good choice for the edible garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Its large size and upright habit of growth lend it for use as a solitary accent, or in a composition surrounded by smaller plants around the base and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.