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## **Punica granatum**



3 - 5 (8) m
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round, dark, dense crown, capricious growing
twigs light brown, square, bark brown, later flaking off in plates
elliptical to obovate or narrow elongated, glossy dark green, 3 - 8 cm
single or in clusters, dark orange-red, 2.5 - 4 cm, June/September
round, fleshy fruit, yellowish red, 4 - 7 (10) cm, edible, edible fruits
Yes
usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
any, provided fertile, moist but well-drained
tolerates no paving
8b (-9,4,5 to -6,7 °C)
very good
can withstand wind
coastal areas, small gardens, patio gardens
multi-stem treem
South-eastern Europe to southern Himalayas

For centuries the pomegranate has been cultivated both as a decorative plant as well as for it's edible fruit. The plant grows from a shrub into a small tree with a round crown. The crown is dense with somewhat tangled branches, with light brown, twigs with sharp points (thorns). When mature the bark flakes off in plates revealing a cream-coloured inner bark. In autumn the shiny green leaves turn brownish yellow. The pomegranate blossoms almost all summer. The flowers consist of darker orange-red wrinkled petals. They are followed by the familiar edible fruits. These large, yellow-red fruits contain countless seeds in a sweet, fleshy pulp. Because of its limited winter hardiness, this tree can only be used in North-West Europe as a tub plant in gardens, on patios and in courtyards. Punica granatum is pH neutral and will grow on any fertile, moist but well-drained soil. Loves direct sunlight.