



WHOLESALE NURSERY

Desert Willow *Chilopsis linearis*

The Desert Willow is a small, flowering, willow-leaved tree. It is a native to west Texas and the south-west United States. The flowers, which appear from June through October, are purple, pink, white, and burgundy. We grow the dark pink ‘Bubba’ and dark burgundy varieties.

Although the mature height of a Desert Willow is 35 feet, it is easily kept at a shorter stature with a small amount of pruning. The pruning will also give you thicker foliage. Desert Willow blooms on new growth so pruning should also give you more flowers.

In nature, Desert Willow is found along streams and dry washes. It grows in almost any type of soil, as long as it is well drained. Plant it in a sunny location. In addition to planting as an ornamental, Desert Willow can be planted for erosion control, as a windbreak, and for wildlife cover. Bees and hummingbirds visit the flowers for the nectar and a variety of birds eats the seeds. It is considered unpalatable to livestock and deer—although deer may forage the tender growth.

Common Names: Flowering Willow, Willow Leaf Catalpa, Flore De Mimobre,



AT A GLANCE	
Height	25' - 35'
Width	15' - 25'
Flower Color	purple, white, pink
Flower Season	Summer
Water	Low
Growth Rate	Fast
USDA Zone(s)	7b - 11
Notes	Deer-resistant

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