

Bougainvillea species

Botanical Name: *Bougainvillea species*

Common Name: Baganvilla

Morphology characters:

The vine species grow anywhere from 1 to 12 m (3 to 40 ft.) tall, scrambling over other plants with their spiky thorns. The thorns are tipped with a black, waxy substance. They are evergreen where rainfall occurs all year, or deciduous if there is a dry season. The leaves are alternate, simple ovate-acuminate, 4–13 cm long and 2–6 cm broad. The actual flower of the plant is small and generally white, but each cluster of three flowers is surrounded by three or six bracts with the bright colours associated with the plant, including pink, magenta, purple, red, orange, white, or yellow. *Bougainvillea glabra* is sometimes referred to as "paper flower" because the bracts are thin and papery. The fruit is a narrow five-lobed achene.



Growing season and Type

1. *Bougainvillea* is a genus of thorny ornamental vines, bushes, and trees with flower-like spring leaves near its flowers.
2. The bracts' range of colors includes the classic red, purple, orange, apricot, white, pink, cream, yellow and bi-color mutations.
3. Evergreen or Partly Deciduous sometimes thorny Climber.



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1. Flower of *Bougainvillea species*
2. Leaf of *Bougainvillea species*
3. *Bougainvillea species* tree



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