

Nerium oleander

Botanical Name: *Nerium oleander*

Common Name: Oleander

Morphological Characters:

An evergreen shrub (or small tree) that grows to approximately 6 m. A sticky latex is exuded if the stem is cut. Leaves are usually in groups of three and narrowly lanceolate. The flowers are tubular with five lobes, red or pink in the wild, but may be white, cream, yellow or purple in cultivars, and double forms have also been selected. Some are scented. The fruit is composed of a pair of follicles that split along one side to release the seeds. The seeds are oblong, with a plume of hairs at one end.



Growing Season and Type:

1. It is a fast growing ,shrub and is good for warm climate.
2. Oleander produces heavily scented, colorful flowers all summer and fall.
3. *Nerium oleander* can survive light frosts, but show signs of frost damage. It is a common landscape plant in tropical and subtropical climates and grows in a wide range of soils.
4. It can withstand drought and salt spray, and reacts well to full sun or partial shade.



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1) Flower Image of *Nerium Oleander*

2) Leaf Image of *Nerium Oleander*

3) Plant Image of *Nerium Oleander*

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