

ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Flame Vine *Pyrostegia venusta*

DESCRIPTION: Flame Vine is a vigorous, evergreen vine. Its bright green leaves are winter deciduous. It can spread quickly by tendrils to the top of anything that supports it; fences, other plants, etc. It is one of the most spectacular flowering vines in cultivation, producing clusters of spectacular orange flowers in the fall through winter. The tubular flowers nearly 3" long and occur in clusters of 15-20 at the tips of branches. and water regularly. It is cold hardy to short durations temperatures down to 20° F and resprouts from the ground if nipped back. Flame Vine is native to Brazil, Argentina, Bolivia and Paraguay.

RECOMMENDED USE: A useful vine to cover an arbor or trellis at the front gate, trained on a rock wall or to cover a long fence line. Attracts hummingbirds.

CULTURE:

Hardiness: Although it can recover from freezes below 20°F, flowering will be affected.

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Sun tolerance: Plant in full sun or part shade

Watering and feeding: Moderate water use. Fertilize spring and fall.

Soil requirements: Any soil will do.

Pruning: It is a vigorous vine that left on its own will densely cover what is supporting but it can be easily pruned to maintain a more open look