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Botanical Name: Portulacaria afra
Common Names: Elephant Bush, Dwarf Jade, Succulent,
Native: No
Foliage Type: Evergreen
Plant Type: Hedging / Screening, Shrubs, Succulents & Cacti
Plant Habit: Shrub Like, Upright

Description:

Popular succulent which over time, will produce thick tree-like brown branches with small fleshy, smooth grey-green leaves. Very tough, often pruned as a bonsai, used as an indoor plant, in courtyards and pots. Tiny mauve flowers appear in Summer if conditions are favourable. Grows approx. 2.5m tall.

Mature Height: 2-4m **Position:** Any, Full Sun, Semi Shade, Shade

Mature Width: 1-2m **Soil Type:** Well Drained

Landscape Use(s): Balcony / Roof, Borders / Shrubbery, Costal Garden, Courtyard, Feature, Foliage Feature / Colour, Hedging / Screeningd, Indoor Plant, Low Water Garden, Rockery, Shady Garden

Pest & Diseases:

Generally trouble free

Plant Care:

Annual slow release fertiliser, Keep moist during dry periods

Family Name: Didiereaceae

Origin: Africa

Characteristics:

Foliage Colours: Green

Flower Colours: Purple

Flower Fragrant: No

Flowering Season: Summer

Fruit: Yes

Requirements:

Growth Rate: Moderate

Maintenance Level: Low

Water Usage: Low

Tolerances:

Drought: High

Frost: Tender

Wind: Tender

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