

Olea europaea Kalamata



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Botanical Name:	Olea europaea Kalamata
Common Names:	Olive,
Native:	No
Foliage Type:	Evergreen
Plant Type:	Hedging / Screening, Trees
Plant Habit:	Dense, Upright

Description:

Kalamata is one of the most popular varieties of table olive. Ranging in size from 2-10m tall it has dark glossy green leaves with silver under sides. All fruit harvested requires processing before eating. A very hardy tree that thrives in Mediterranean conditions looks great as a feature specimen avenue or hedge. It can also be trained to grow as an espalier or a standard.

Family Name: Oleaceae

Origin: Europe

Characteristics:

Foliage Colours: Green, Silver

Flower Colours: Cream

Flower Fragrant: No

Flowering Season: Spring

Fruit: Yes

Requirements:

Growth Rate: Moderate

Maintenance Level: Medium

Water Usage: Low

Tolerances:

Drought: High

Frost: Moderate

Wind: Moderate

Mature Height: 4-10m **Position:** Full Sun

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

Landscape Use(s): Balcony / Roof, Borders / Shrubbery, Coastal Garden, Courtyard, Edible Garden, Foliage Feature / Colour, Formal Garden, Hedging / Screening, Low Water Garden, Mass Planting, Topiary / Espalier, Wind Break, Container / Pot

Pest & Diseases:

Generally trouble free

Cultural Notes:

Olives are generally very hardy and low maintenance they require well drained soil and do best when adequate fertiliser and water are available during the growing season. This variety can be pruned to desired shape which may mean an annual prune or more frequent for a topiary.

Plant Care:

Annual slow release fertiliser, Keep moist during dry periods, Mulch well

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