

Blue Palo Verde (Common Name)

Parkinsonia florida (Scientific Name)



PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Canopy potential: 15' – 20' wide

Annual Growth Rate: 36"

Powerline Compatible: 25' from base

Root Damage Potential: Low

Leaves: ¾-11/2" long, usually 1 pair of primary Segments, each with 1-3 pairs of leaflets.

Leaflets: 1/16" long, separately along branches at leaf nodes.

Flowers: ¾" wide, yellow, with 5 petals. In clusters of 4 or 5. Blooms in Spring.



ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

Water Use: Low

Edible Fruit Producing: Yes, flat green pea pods when young, becoming tan when dry.

Allergenic: High

BVOC Emissions: Moderate

Sonoran Desert Native: Yes

Invasive Species: No



Tree Care: Plant in full sun good drainage soil. Needs substantial pruning in early raising, only in warmer weather. Water young tree weekly in the summer, monthly in the winter. If established, only water in extended dry weather.