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PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Rubber Vine

Cryptostegia grandiflora

DESCRIPTION: Fast growing vine native to SW Madagascar. It has been grown all over North America and can be an aggressive pest in wet climates. It climbs by twining and can grow 15' or more in a season. Flowers can appear any time in warm weather. They are bell-shaped and 2"-3" long. They are brilliant magenta-pink in color.

RECOMMENDED USE: Use carefully if in a well-watered area. Must have something to twine around to climb.

CULTURE:



Hardiness: 20°F (roots may be hardy to 15).



Sun tolerance: Full sun to shade.



Watering and feeding: Moderate water use to do well.



Soil requirements: Any soil will do.



Pruning: Frost damage can be cut back in spring.