



# ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM

## PLANT CARE INFORMATION

### Orange Bells

*Tecoma garrocha*

**DESCRIPTION:** Here's an ideal shrub for planting against a south-facing wall. It is evergreen, keeping its glossy leaves during most winters. This upright shrubs reach heights of 12 feet tall and 8 feet wide if not nipped by frost. Flowering occurs in summer and carries into the fall. Brilliant orange tubular flowers are produced in abundance. Hummingbirds and many species of butterflies are attracted to the nectar. Orange Bells is native to Argentina.

**RECOMMENDED USE:** Orange bells and can be used singly or in groups against a wall to show off foliage and flowers. The rapid growth rate and ultimate size makes Orange Bells ideal for many situations such as accent, color, screen, barrier, and to attract wildlife.

#### CULTURE:



**Hardiness:** 20°F once established.



**Sun tolerance:** Will grow in full sun or reflected sun.



**Watering and feeding:** Moderate water use. Fertilize yearly.



**Soil requirements:** This plant enjoys humus or organic rich soil, but will tolerate less. The organic matter not only feeds the flowers and leaves but also retains moisture for the plant.



**Pruning:** Lightly, as needed, any time of the year.