

ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM

PLANT CARE SHEET

Big Honeysuckle or Limita

Anisacanthus andersonii

DESCRIPTION: A medium sized shrub, quickly attaining a size of 3'-5' tall and as wide. It can be evergreen, but often loses leaves with the winter cold. Flowers are larger and redder than our local desert honeysuckle, to which this plant is closely related. They are tubular and nearly 2" long, blooming in the winter and early spring. Limita can be found naturally in the Tropical Deciduous Forests of southern Sonora, Mexico.

RECOMMENDED USE: Use to attreact wildlife, in conjunction with other flowering shrubs.

CULTURE:



Hardiness: We have tested Limita to 20°F with some frost damage.



Sun tolerance: It prefers light shade.



Watering and feeding: Moderate water use, once to twice weekly. Fertilize in spring and mid-summer.



Soil requirements: Any soil will do.



Pruning: Light pruning as needed before bud set in the fall.