



ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Goodding and Littleleaf Ash *Fraxinus gooddingii/F. greggii*

DESCRIPTION: Goodding and Littleleaf Ashes are nearly evergreen shrubs or multi-trunk trees with a dense summer canopy of medium-green compound leaves on smooth, gray stems. Leaves are usually shed in the spring as new leaves emerge. The growth rate is usually moderate, depending on growing conditions. Goodding Ash is from south-central to western Arizona and Littleleaf Ash grows eastward from SE Arizona. The former stays at around 12' and the latter can grow a bit taller. Flowers are inconspicuous and greenish, followed by winged fruit.

RECOMMENDED USE: Its small to medium size and warm season foliage make it a good small yard or patio tree.

CULTURE:



Hardiness: It is hardy down to at least 10°F.



Sun tolerance: Plant in full sun to light shade .



Watering and feeding: Water use is moderate; irrigation frequency can be lessened in age, although it may be at the expense of growth rate. Do not miss waterings during May and June. Deep, weekly irrigations when plant is active encourages the best growth. Feed in mid-winter.



Soil requirements: It can take most any soil that drains.



Pruning: Pruning may be necessary to encourage one trunk. Do not over-prune, as root growth is sacrificed with foliage loss.