

Fiddleleaf Fig

"Ficus lyrata"

The fiddle-leaf fig is a small tropical tree and broadleaf evergreen, commonly grown and popular as a houseplant in many areas of the United States. As a houseplant, it will grow 2 to 10 feet tall. It has large, broad, lyre-shaped, green leaves measuring up to 18 inches long. This plant rarely flowers or fruits when grown as a houseplant. The stems have a milky sap that can irritate the skin. This a relatively low-maintenance houseplant that may be pruned as needed.

Type: perennial, houseplant, tree

USDA hardiness zones: outdoors zones 10 through 12

Uses: indoors; deck or patio; specimen; container or planter; espalier; highway median; street without sidewalk

Origin: not native to Florida

Height: 2 to 10 feet **Spread:** 4 to 10 feet

Plant spacing: 5-10 feet

Light requirement: Partial Shade (Direct sunlight only part of the day, 2-6 hours)

Soil tolerances: moist, well-drained, loamy, acidic soils

Drought tolerance: high

Soil salt tolerances: sensitive

Invasive potential: not invasive

Pest resistance: no serious insect pests or diseases

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