

VARIETIES & SIZES of Mature Trees

Like all fruit trees, citrus are grafted into selected rootstock depending on what we want the mature size of the tree to be. The ultimate size of a plant is influenced by many environmental factors and how well it is cared for. Please keep in mind that regular pruning can keep a plant any size you want.

Standard Size

Standard size trees are the trees grown in commercial citrus orchards. Depending on the variety, they can range in mature size from 15 - 25 feet tall.



Semi-Dwarf Trees

Semi-Dwarf Trees have been grafted onto various rootstocks that reduce the ability of the plant to grow to full height. This only affects the size of the tree and has no bearing on the quality of the fruit. Since the size of the tree is reduced, so will be the amount of fruit the tree can support. The plants are generally bushy and tend to be multi-trunked and generally grow 10-15 ft tall.

Dwarf Trees



Dwarf Trees are the smallest trees of all. There are many different types of root stock used, but they all result in a small plant reaching only 5 - 6' in height.



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Horticultural Guide

CITRUS

Citrus Hybrida

The history of citrus and its spread around the world would read like a popular adventure novel. Around 300 BC the first citrus found its way into Europe, via Alexander the Great. Later the Arabs distributed sour oranges and lemons throughout Northern Africa and Spain and the Portuguese brought the first specimens of sweet oranges from India around the 16th century. In Asia, mandarin oranges moved to Japan



from China during the 12th century AD. Citrus made the trip to the New World on Columbus' second voyage in 1493. They adapted so well to this new climate, that many varieties have become major agriculture crops.



Cultural Information

Of course we recommend you grow your citrus trees in containers so you can bring them inside before frost and place them in a sunny window. The container you choose should be approximately twice the size of the container the plant came with. When moving them outside for the summer, place them where they will receive a minimum of 6 hours of direct sun daily and in a protected place out of the dry wind. Pools, patios and decks are perfectly suited for citrus trees.

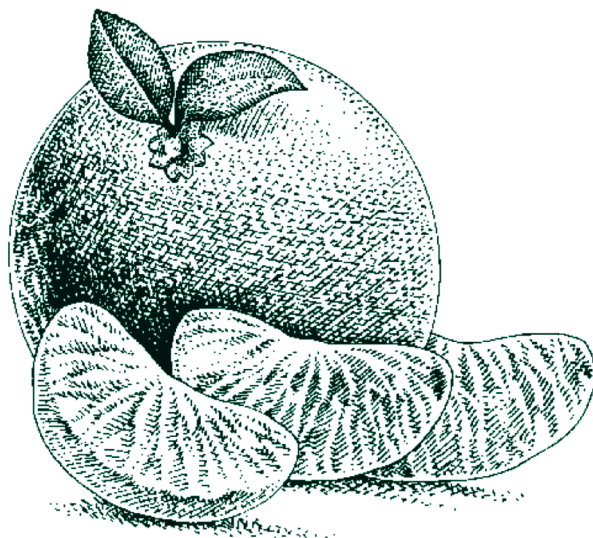
Repotting Instructions

Step 1 — Select a container that is at least twice the size of the existing container and has adequate drainage holes.

Step 2 — We recommend using a quality potting soil such as Fox Farm Ocean Forest or Black Gold Natural & Organic. Place enough soil on the bottom of the pot so that the top of the original root ball is 2 inches below the rim of the pot. Carefully remove the plant from the

existing pot and set it in its new pot. Fill the space between the new pot and root ball and water thoroughly. This helps eliminate air pockets. You may need to add more soil after the soil settles. Next time you

water, use a mixture of root stimulator or Superthrive™. One or 2 more applications at 1 week intervals is helpful.



Popular Varieties of Citrus

Although Payne's stocks many more varieties of citrus, the following are some of our most popular varieties:

- Citrus aurantifolia 'Mexican Lime'
- Citrus aurantifolia 'Bearss Lime'
- Citrofortunella mitis 'Calamondin Orange'
- Citrus limon 'Improved Meyer Lemon'
- Citrus limon 'Eureka Lemon'
- Citrus reticulata 'Miho' Mandarin Orange
- Citrus reticulata 'Okitsu Wase Satsuma' - Mandarin Orange
- Citrus reticulata 'Owari' Mandarin Orange
- Citrus kumquat 'Nagami'



Insects

Most common insects are scale and aphids. If you find either of these, we recommend a thorough spray application of Insecticidal Soap or any product containing Neem Oil. We also recommend spraying in early morning or late afternoon during the cooler part of the day.



When To Prune

Citrus require little pruning. You need only to prune to control the shape and size of the plant.

How To Fertilize

We recommend a weekly application of 1/2 strength Miracid Plant Food or one of the several organic fertilizers we offer.

Watering Needs

All citrus trees like to dry out between waterings. Watering a container with enough water to drain out the bottom hole assures adequate water per application. Make sure the soil is dry before watering again.

