



Abutilon palmeri Indian Mallow, Superstition Mallow

This herbaceous shrub has soft, velvety, heart-shaped leaves that beg to be caressed. Plant it next to a patio where you can enjoy its soft texture. If ample water is available, Indian mallow can reach a size of 6 feet tall by 6 feet wide. However, a more common size is 4 feet tall and wide. This versatile shrub can be used in full sun and reflected heat exposures, as well as in part shade. Under shady conditions it tends to have an open, sprawling growth habit, while it stays dense and rounded in full sun. Indian mallow blooms on and off throughout the warm months with small, cup-shaped, apricot-colored blossoms. It will experience some foliage and stem damage when temperatures drop into the low 20's F. It can be cut back hard in early spring to remove damaged foliage. Indian mallow is native to the Sonoran Desert at elevations from 1000 to 3000 feet. Hardy to 25° F. USDA Zone 9.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY

SIZE (H X W)	4-6 feet x 4-6 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Apricot
FLOWER SEASON	Summer
EXPOSURE	Sun, part shade
WATER	Low to moderate
GROWTH RATE	Fast
HARDINESS	25° F, USDA Zone 9
PRUNING	Early spring



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