



## Bauhinia macranthera Chihuahuan Orchid Tree

Lovers of Anacacho Orchid Tree, *Bauhinia lunarioides*, are sure to be entranced with this close relation. As growers, we cherish it because, unlike the Anacacho Orchid, this species actually *wants* to be a vase-shaped small tree without much coaxing. The two trees are very similar, but this one has clusters of rose-pink flowers, and larger, butterfly-shaped leaves. It grows moderately to form an umbrella canopy to 12-15 feet tall and wide. Its airy form and semi-deciduous nature make it an ideal overstory plant for aloes, agaves and perennials that appreciate light summer sun protection. This tree will thrive in full sun to part shade, and is a wonderful choice for intimate patio areas. Butterflies are drawn to the flowers.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY	
SIZE (H X W)	15 feet x 15 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Rose
FLOWER SEASON	Spring
EXPOSURE	Full sun to part shade
WATER	Low
GROWTH RATE	Moderate
HARDINESS	10° F, USDA Zone 8
PRUNING	Prune to shape



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