

*Passiflora incarnata* - Maypop



*Passiflora incarnata*, or Maypop, is the cold hardiest of the native passion vines, found in Virginia to Florida, west to Missouri and south to Texas. Its deciduous vines reach 13 feet (~3.5 m) long and grow quickly. They grow in fence rows and at the edge of forests—among the most attractive of the underutilized native vines that we have, hardy in the landscape in USDA zones 6-9.

**Blooming:** Flowers are solitary blooms in leaf axils, 3 inches (7.6 cm) wide, with two outer rings of pink to purple filamentous corona. A 2 inch (5 cm) light yellow, edible fruit follows. Very showy.

**Culture:** *Passiflora incarnata* needs full sun to light shade and a rich soil mix. We use a soil mix consisting of 2 parts peat moss to 2 parts loam to 1 part sand or perlite. Plants are well watered and allowed to dry slightly before watering again, fertilized on a monthly basis with a balanced fertilizer during the growing season. Plants should be repotted yearly at the start of the growing season. In late September, we move plants to the cool room for winter, withhold water gradually drop nighttime temperatures to 48°F (9°C).

**Propagation:** *Passiflora incarnata* plants are propagated by cuttings and from seed.

MAY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
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*Pilea cadierei* - Aluminum Plant

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