

Cultural Information- Radermachera

(rad-er-MOK-er-uh)

Hardy to Zone 10 and higher for outdoors.
Full or partial sun, grows 3-6' in container, minimum temperature 40°, intermittent bloomer

<u>Light:</u>	Full or partial sun; a southern, eastern or western exposure. Will also grow in shade although this can interrupt flowering.
<u>Temperature:</u>	Can be grown at 40°, keep from freezing. Continuous cold in winter will slow growth.
<u>Humidity:</u>	Tolerant to a wide range in humidity without harm.
<u>Watering:</u>	Allow the soil to come to visual dryness between waterings and then thoroughly saturate the potting mix.
<u>Fertilizer:</u>	Moderate feeders, feed every two weeks when temperatures are generally above 60 with a balanced fertilizer like a 15-15-15 or a 7-9-5.
<u>Pruning:</u>	Plants can be pruned at any time height and size become issues.
<u>Insects and Disease:</u>	Aphids can feed on the soft growth. Susceptible to root disease if soil is kept to wet under cool growing conditions.
<u>Comments:</u>	Radermachera kunming is an easy plant to culture due to its tolerance to lower light levels and dryness in both the soil and air. It can flower at any time of the year but most flowering occurs during the warmer months. The flowers are showy and fragrant and appear on the terminal growth in large clusters. As they do have some susceptibility to root disease it is better to grow in terra cotta especially if cool wet conditions are given.

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