

# Jamaica Caper

*Capparis cynophallophora*



The Jamaica Caper is a South Florida **native tree** and is considered a **medium size growing tree**. Jamaica Caper trees **grow about 1 foot a year** and will mature at a **height of about 15 feet** and spread out to about 10 feet or less. Jamaica Capers can be planted in a relatively small area, but should be at least 6 feet from a sidewalk and 8 feet from any type of foundation.

## CAN PLANT NEAR UTILITY LINES

Jamaica Capers can be planted within **20 feet** from overhead utility lines.

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The Jamaica Caper is an excellent small-size shade tree that can fit in most South Florida yards and even patio areas. It is an **evergreen** tree that flowers in the spring. Jamaica Capers can be pruned up to have a canopy or left as a large shrub. It has a **high drought tolerance**, which means once the tree is established it shouldn't need supplemental watering. Jamaica Caper trees can be planted near the beach because they have a **high salt tolerance**.

## For more information

[http://fortlauderdaleforester.blogspot.com/2012/07/tree-thursday\\_12.html](http://fortlauderdaleforester.blogspot.com/2012/07/tree-thursday_12.html)

[http://www.plantcreations.com/capparis\\_cynophallophora.htm](http://www.plantcreations.com/capparis_cynophallophora.htm)

<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/fp104>