

Watering.

Jacaranda trees like most exotics only like to be watered when the soil is almost bone dry.

Plants should be watered thoroughly and allowed to drain fully before re-watering.

They prefer rainwater, as normal tap water tends to be far too cold and sometimes chalky. Ensure the water isn't ice cold, as ice cold water will stress the tree.

Over-wintering in the UK

Jacaranda trees are very easy to over-winter, but do be careful not to let them get too damp otherwise root rot may occur. The plant should only be watered when the soil in the pot is bone dry. Specimens lose all their leaves over the cold months. Place your tree in the greenhouse/conservatory over the winter, making sure it is protected from frost - if you leave it outdoors you will very probably lose it! Our specimens here at the nursery are kept just about 5 degrees.

Summer months

Jacaranda trees can be grown outside (in their pots) or in the greenhouse/conservatory.

They prefer a south facing garden with plenty of sunlight. Pay attention to their leaves. If the leaves appear to droop, then you know your tree needs water. The Kentish summer months are sometimes rather hot, so we have to water our specimens 3-4 times a week. But remember, you should only water your tree when the soil is almost bone dry!

Jacarandas should be brought into the greenhouse/conservatory in around October time (when the first winter frosts arrive).

Potting

Jacarandas like a free draining compost. They require loam-based compost with either grit or bark chippings to aid drainage. The optimum pH is 6.5. A plant should be re-potted once a year if/when it becomes pot-bound.

If you require any other information don't hesitate to give us a ring.

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