

# **Lychee & mango tree & mangosteen fact sheet**

**David's Exotic Plants**

## **Watering**

Mango & Lychee trees should be watered thoroughly but then allowed to dry out almost completely before re-watering. In the rest period (winter) they should only be watered when the soil is almost dust dry. When growing begins in the Spring they should be given phostrogen feed once a week, to encourage new growth.

## **Over-wintering in the UK**

Mango & Lychee plants tend to do very well in the house; simply ensure the tree has plenty of light, ventilation and food, and do not over-water.

They should be kept on a south-facing window indoors or in a conservatory or greenhouse not below 12°C.

## **Summer months**

They both require as much sunlight and ventilation as possible. Feed once a week with a phostrogen feed to help encourage flowers. Flowers tend to start to sprout in June/July time. The fruits should be medium/full size by the end of the summer.

## **Pests**

Red spider mite, scale insect, white fly and greenfly are the main culprits and the best solution is to wash your plant with soapy water every few days to cut down the insect numbers, or simply give it a good hose down.

## **Potting**

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

If you require any other information don't hesitate to give us a ring.  
*Tel: 01227 711897 Email: [Bushtrees@aol.com](mailto:Bushtrees@aol.com)*