



# Olea europaea 'Californian Queen'

Olive 'Californian Queen'

A medium-sized evergreen tree with ascending branches and silver leaves. This tree produces large amounts of olive fruit, the Californian Queen olive is large, fleshy and round and is often used as a starter dish or olive oil production. This tree can be used as a screening or shade device or a feature tree as well as for its fruit production.



Origin	Developed from the Tafahi variety from Egypt.
Size	Up to 8 metres, Up to 5 metres wide.
Cultural Notes	Prefers full sun. Does best in warm regions with cool winters. Grows well in coastal regions. Long periods of hot, dry conditions will encourage fruit production. Can be trained as an espalier. Can be pruned to maintain shape.
Tolerates	Frost and drought tolerant and coastal conditions. Hardy and low maintenance. Will attract wildlife.
Flowers / Flowering Season	Small white/cream clusters of flowers are produced in late spring. These are monoecious, meaning they are both male and female.
Foliage Colour or Type	Evergreen with a soft green topside and silver-green toned underside foliage.
Soil Type	Well-draining soil. Will tolerate poorer soil quality, does not like waterlogging or 'wet feet'.
Suited to	Can be used as a specimen tree or a screening device. Can be grown in pots meaning it is great for courtyards or anywhere with limited soil.

