

Botanical Name: *Tecoma stans v. angustata*

Common Name: Yellow Bells



Family: Bignoniaceae

Habitat: Washes, rocky slopes, gravelly foothills

Native Distribution: S Arizona, S New Mexico, W Texas, Mexico, Central America

Elevation: 2,000 to 6,000 ft

Hardiness: 20°F

Type: Semi-evergreen

Size: 6' tall x 6' wide

Shape: Airy and upright

Growth Rate: Fast

Flowers: Clusters of 2" bright yellow trumpet flowers

Bloom Season: Spring through early winter

Fruit: Narrow 5" papery tan pod

Foliage: 2-3" narrow bright-green compound leaves with toothed margins

Exposure: Full/reflected sun

Shade: Filtered

Water Requirements: Low

***Tecoma stans v. angustata* (Yellow Bells) in Phoenix**

xeriscapes: Yellow Bells can work well around swimming pools and patios in Phoenix xeriscapes, and can serve as an accent to other blooming plants. Excellent in areas where summer or prolonged color is needed. Some litter, no thorns.

Wildlife: Attracts hummingbirds and other birds.

More about *Tecoma stans v. angustata* (Yellow Bells):

- Yellow Bells will be evergreen in Phoenix, but will be deciduous in colder, outlying areas.
- Can freeze to the ground below 20° but will make a fast recovery.
- Prune *Tecoma stans v. angustata* in late winter after the threat of frost has passed.
- Minimize potential frost damage to Yellow Bells by stopping irrigation after late summer.
- Expect some mess when the seedpods of *Tecoma stans v. angustata* start ripening.
- Promote blooming of Yellow Bells with bi-monthly soaking in the summer.