

## Hawaiian Baby Woodrose

### GENERAL

|             |                          |
|-------------|--------------------------|
| Origin      | : sub-tropical, tropical |
| Humidity    | : semi-arid, semi-humid  |
| Propagation | : cuttings               |
| Maintenance | : moderate               |

### CONDITIONS

|                |                       |
|----------------|-----------------------|
| Stagnant water | : vulnerable          |
| Irrigation     | : medium              |
| Salinity/ppm   | : moderate (1800 ppm) |
| Hardiness      | : +6°C                |

### SHAPE

|         |             |
|---------|-------------|
| Type    | : shrub     |
| Height  | : 3 m       |
| Spread  | : 3 m       |
| Foliage | : evergreen |

### FLOWER

|        |                    |
|--------|--------------------|
| Colour | : lilac, pale pink |
| Size   | : 7 cm             |
| Period | : August - October |

### FRUIT

|               |             |
|---------------|-------------|
| Type of fruit | : pod       |
| Fruit size    | : 2 cm      |
| Toxicity      | : poisonous |

Native to India and southeast Asia, this tall, rangy and fast-growing shrub with multi-stems can grow up to 3 metres high. It is not planted in Arriyadh as often as it used to be, but is still occasionally found on farms. The large, heart-shaped leaves are dark green with velvety undersides. Numerous, large, funnel-shaped, pinkish-lilac flowers, appearing in clusters, last only a day or two, but the shrub is an all-year bloomer. Berry-like fruits produce many seeds. *A. campanulata* grows in many soils, especially well in sandy soil, and requires full sun. The shrub is drought-tolerant, but wilts completely after a long period without irrigation; it is also not hardy in a spell of heavy frost. Propagation is by hardwood cuttings. Pruning and irrigation should be carried out regularly to improve the shrub's appearance. Valuable as a dense screen or informal hedge, the lush, green foliage and bright flowers make this shrub a valuable background plant for a park or large garden, or as a contrast in a desert scheme.

