

# Lakeshore Garden Centres

## Sun Trumpets Orange Esperanza

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### Sun Trumpets® Orange Esperanza *Tecoma stans* 'Sun Trumpets Orange'

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○ ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Orange Bells, Orange Trumpet Flower, Cahauto

Group/Class: Sun Trumpets Series



*Sun Trumpets Orange Esperanza flowers*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### Description:

A compact, heat loving, full sun shrub with a tropical appearance, producing clusters of showy, orange-yellow trumpet flowers with scarlet accents all season long; remove young seed pods to promote re-blooming; a stunning landscape or garden accent

#### Ornamental Features

Sun Trumpets Orange Esperanza features showy clusters of orange trumpet-shaped flowers with yellow overtones and scarlet stripes along the branches from mid spring to mid fall, which emerge from distinctive red flower buds. Its serrated pointy leaves emerge light green in spring, turning dark green in colour the rest of the year.

#### Landscape Attributes

Sun Trumpets Orange Esperanza is a multi-stemmed annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Sun Trumpets Orange Esperanza is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

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### Planting & Growing

Sun Trumpets Orange Esperanza will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. Although it's not a true annual, this plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. To help this plant achieve its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for acidic soils, and is subject to chlorosis (yellowing) of the foliage in alkaline soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selection of a native North American species.

Sun Trumpets Orange Esperanza is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.