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## **Punica granatum**



Výška	3 - 5 (8) m
Šírka	3-5m
Koruna	round, dark, dense crown, capricious growing
Kôra a vetvy	twigs light brown, square, bark brown, later flaking off in plates
Listy	elliptical to obovate or narrow elongated, glossy dark green, 3 - 8 cm
Kvety	single or in clusters, dark orange-red, 2.5 - 4 cm, June/September
Plody	round, fleshy fruit, yellowish red, 4 - 7 (10) cm, edible, edible fruits
Tŕne	Áno
Jedovatosť	Zvyčajne nie je jedovaté pre ľudí a väčšie zvieratá
Typ pôdy	any, provided fertile, moist but well-drained
Spevnené plochy	Netoleruje spevnené plochy
Zóna odolnosti	8b (-9,4,5 do -6,7 °C)
Odolnosť voči vetru	very good
Ostatná odolnosť	Odolné vetru
Použitie	pobrežné zóny, malé záhrady, dvory
Tvar	Viackmeň
Pôvod	South-eastern Europe to southern Himalayas

For centuries the pomegranate has been cultivated both as a decorative plant as well as for it's edible fruit. The plant grows from a shrub into a small tree with a round crown. The crown is dense with somewhat tangled branches, with light brown, twigs with sharp points (thorns). When mature the bark flakes off in plates revealing a cream-coloured inner bark. In autumn the shiny green leaves turn brownish yellow. The pomegranate blossoms almost all summer. The flowers consist of darker orange-red wrinkled petals. They are followed by the familiar edible fruits. These large, yellow-red fruits contain countless seeds in a sweet, fleshy pulp. Because of its limited winter hardiness, this tree can only be used in North-West Europe as a tub plant in gardens, on patios and in courtyards. Punica granatum is pH neutral and will grow on any fertile, moist but well-drained soil. Loves direct sunlight.