

African Milk Tree

Euphorbia trigona Also known as: ***Euphorbia hermentiana***

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This description is for **African Milk Tree (*Euphorbia trigona*)**:

I always thought milk came from cows not trees!

The delightfully named African Milk Tree is a wonderful shrub that remains green all year round. Rather exotic looking, it should come as no surprise that it hails from warmer climes, and as such it needs to be kept indoors during the colder weather. This makes *Euphorbia trigona* ideal as a conservatory plant or indoors. However, it will happily live outside during the warmer months of the year and is somewhat of a sun worshipper, so place in a bright and sunny position. Be aware that this plant is toxic if ingested.



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Plant	Environment	Usage
Known dangers? yes	Acidity Acidic Neutral Alkaline	Standard category Flowers & bulbs Perennials
Dangers: comments Avoid eating this plant, or you may have severe stomach upset. Its sap may irritate your skin.	Hardiness zone Z9-11	Grown for Ornamental Foliage
Height [m] 2 - 2.5	Heat zone H11-9	Creative category For Beginners

Plant	Environment	Usage
Spread [m] 0.9	Winter temperatures [°C] -7 - 4	Garden type Woodland Cottage garden Rock garden City Gravel garden
Dominant flower colour Yellow	Heat days 120 - 210	Garden spaces Flower beds Borders
Flower Fragrance No, neutral please	Moisture well-drained	Gardening expertise beginner
Flowering seasons Early spring Mid spring Late spring Early summer Mid summer Late summer Early autumn Mid autumn Late autumn	Soil type sandy loams	Time to reach full size up to 10 years
Foliage in spring Green	Sun requirements Full sun	
Foliage in summer Green	Exposure Sheltered	
Foliage in Autumn Green		
Foliage in winter Green		
Propagation methods seed basal cuttings division stem tip cuttings		
Growth habit Branching Clump-forming Erect		