

**Botanical name:**  
**Genus: Plumeria**  
**Species: alba**

**Common Name(s):** Frangipani

**Latin Family Name:**  
Apocynaceae  
**English Family Name:**

### The plant

**Origin; country or region:** Native to Central America and the Caribbean

**Growth habit:** Most species are shrubs or small tree

**Flower description:** Famous for its waxy, long-lasting, sweetly fragrant blooms

**Blooming period/availability:** Perennial

**Leaf/Foliage Description:** Long, leathery green leaves

**Usage:** A very popular cosmopolitan ornamental plant grown in warm regions

#### STRENGTHS/OPPORTUNITIES:

Looks stunning when in bloom, adds a burst of tropical fair the area

Beautiful flowers that are truly pleasing to the eye

Very long lasting

Can be grown on sea sides, ideal plants for areas near the salty coastline

They grow well in absolutely all kinds of soils

They can be grown in pots as well as the ground

They are ideal for planting in home gardens, water gardens, patios, courtyards, planter boxes, roof-top gardens, balconies, as well as in groups, for privacy screen, for hedge, as specimen plants, beside a wall

Available in a bonsai form

Plumerias are very hardy and have very few insect or disease problems

#### WEAKNESS:

Very sensitive to light & water-not ideal for indoors

Susceptible to fungus infections

Some plants may flower very rarely

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Plumeria, which is otherwise known as Frangipani, Pagoda tree, Temple tree and West Indian Jasmine is the world's most beloved garden plant

### Care & Handling

**Longevity:** 10 years plus, once established, white frangipani is quite easy to care for

**Water requirements:** Require profuse watering but the top soil shall be dried out before the next watering

However regular irrigation in the hot summer growing months will make them bloom better and have a fresher looking crown

**Light:** Plenty of bright light

**Soil/Nutrition requirements:** Soil fertile, well drained

Do not over fertilize as plants will only put out leaves and soft growth

A bit of starvation - makes them flower more

### Special care/remarks:

The size of the plant can be controlled by pruning, and by doing so more branching out and thereby more blooming occur



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