



Ficus 'Little Ruby'

'Little Ruby' is a super dwarf fig tree that happily produces in small containers. This Fig is actually used to create edible fruit bearing Bonsai plants since it's naturally small to begin with.

Plant Highlights

- Dwarf Habit
- Produces medium sized purple fruit
- Fruits early

Why Figs?

Figs make a welcome addition to home container gardens and landscapes. They can be grown as a tree or pruned and grown as a bush. They fruit on the current year's growth. This allows the plant to fruit even if it froze to the ground during winter months. If the plant is to be grown in cold climates it is recommended to be grown as a bush. These are all self-pollinating varieties that will fruit in containers. Fruit can be eaten out of hand, dried, baked, frozen, and used in preserves.

HEIGHT:
2-4 Feet

ZONE:
7-10

FEATURES:

- Self-fertile
- Easy to Grow
- Fast Growing
- Low Maintenance

PURPOSE:

- Aesthetics/Decor
- Food Production
- Health

BLOOMS:

- Summer

COMMERCIAL MARKET:

- Process
- Local or You Pick
- Fresh

FRUITING SEASON:

- Fall
- Spring
- Summer

EXPOSURE:

- Full Sun
- Partial Sun

APPLICATIONS:

- Edible Garden
- Mixed Combos
- Containers
- Patio & Garden
- Espalier



Pancetta-and-Fig Pasta

Ingredients

1 (16-oz.) package bucatini pasta
 5 ounces thinly sliced pancetta, chopped (about 1 cup)
 2 shallots, minced
 1 garlic clove, minced
 3/4 cup heavy cream
 1/2 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
 12 fresh figs, quartered
 1/3 cup torn basil leaves

Preparation

1. Cook pasta in boiling salted water according to package directions; drain, reserving 1 cup hot pasta water.
2. Sauté pancetta, shallots, and garlic in a large skillet over medium heat 6 to 7 minutes or until pancetta is golden and shallots are tender. Add cream, cheese, and hot cooked pasta; cook, stirring constantly, 2 to 3 minutes or until cheese is melted. Stir in 3/4 to 1 cup reserved pasta water until creamy. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Transfer to a serving dish. Sprinkle with figs and basil. Serve immediately.