Carolina Jessamine

Today on Gardening in a Minute: Carolina jessamine.

As warmer weather creeps in, so do the cheerful flowers of Carolina jessamine.

Once temperatures rise, the treetops and hedgerows will start twinkling with the two-inch-long, tubular yellow flowers of this native evergreen vine.

Carolina jessamine is typically well behaved and can be trained on trellises, pergolas, or other structures. It even works as a ground cover.

If it’s planted in part shade, the wiry brown stems may stretch up to twenty feet in search of the sun.

Plant yours in full sun for best flowering, and water the plant until it’s established. After that it will be quite drought tolerant.

Be aware that all parts of the plant are poisonous.

Try Carolina jessamine, and you’ll be rewarded with beautiful sweet-smelling flowers for years to come!

For more information about Carolina jessamine, contact your county Extension office or visit Gardening in a Minute dot com.

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