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Campsis grandiflora

[Synonyms : *Bignonia chinensis*, *Bignonia grandiflora*, *Campsis adrepens*, *Campsis chinensis*, *Tecoma chinensis*, *Tecoma grandiflora*]

CHINESE TRUMPET VINE is a deciduous climbing vine. Native to eastern Asia it has pale outside, red and orange flowers with curved stamens and a sometimes scarlet-striped throat.

It is also known as Bignonia, Chinese trumpet creeper, Chinese trumpet flower, Large flowered tecoma, Tecoma, and Trumpet vine.

Warning – the flowers are poisonous and should be avoided if pregnant.

Grandiflora is made up of Latin *grandis* (large) and *-flora* (flowered) components.

Chinese trumpet vine has been cultivated in China for many, many centuries not only as an ornament but also for respected medicinal qualities.

This was one of the plants found by Engelbert Kaempfer (1651-1728) during his diplomatic attachment to a Dutch factory in Nagasaki Bay, Japan from 1690-1692 as embassy surgeon.