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*Fabiana*

*Solanaceae*

*Fabiana* commemorates a Spanish cleric, Archbishop Francisco Fabian y Fuero of Valencia (1719-1801), who encouraged the study of plants and the development of agriculture (certainly in the Spanish Mediterranean region). Born in central Mexico and educated in Spain, in 1764 he became bishop of Puebla, Mexico (then the main colonial city, which had been established by the Spanish in 1531). Resigning in 1773 he returned to Spain where until 1774 he was archbishop of Valencia. After his retirement he returned to his homeland. His ministry embraced educational improvements particularly, including, in Puebla, the establishment of a College for young Indians and an academy of literature, supported by a public library and a printing press.