

Lavatera venosa (*Malva pacifica*)
Island or Tree Mallow (*Malva Rosa*)

LARGE SHRUB, SMALL TREE

— evergreen.

To 12' high, equal spread.

Large, maple-like leaves.

Large, striking flowers, usually
with purple/pink veins.

Native habitat: sandy flats and
rocky places — San Benito
Islands (off Baja California).

Full sun.

Tolerates wind and salt spray.

Considered drought
tolerant along coast, but
needs summer water (1 - 2 x
/month) in hot places.

Grows rapidly. Fast screen.

Provides spectacular addition to garden.

Can prune or cut back for denser foliage
or hedge-like growth.



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